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SUBJECT: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

PART 2 OF 7

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To:

Mr. Lawrence M. C. Smith, Chief, Special War Policies Unit

From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

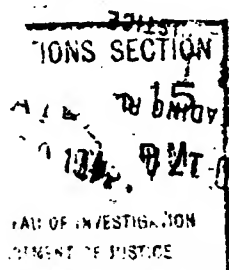
**Subject: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - I**

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Reference is made to your memorandum dated January 8, 1943, captioned "Glen-na-Gael; Irish Republican Army in United States", and requesting summaries of information in the files of this Bureau concerning numerous Irish organizations and individuals active in Irish activities.

At the present time an active investigation of the Irish Republican Army is being conducted by this Bureau and summaries of the information requested by you are being prepared. In the meantime it will be of considerable assistance to this Bureau in connection with the investigation of the Irish Republican Army and related activities if you will furnish me at your earliest convenience with copies of all information in your possession concerning the organization and individuals listed in your memorandum of January 23, together with the source of such information and the basis for request.

In connection with this request it is noted that with reference to Sean Russell you state in your reference memorandum that he was a leader of the Irish Republican Army in Ireland until his death (1939?). The information available in the Bureau files fails to definitely indicate that Russell is dead and I am consequently particularly interested in the basis and source of the information presently in your possession concerning Russell.



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January 14, 1943

PERSONAL ATTENTION

SAC, Chicago

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY;
INTERNAL SECURITY - C.

Dear Sir:

(b7c) Reference is made to my letter dated June 5, 1942, captioned, "Irish Republican Army; Internal Security - Irish", referring to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated April 29, 1942 at Chicago, Illinois, in the case entitled, [redacted] and requesting that [redacted] be thoroughly reinterviewed for the purpose of eliciting complete information concerning the activities of the Irish Republican Army.

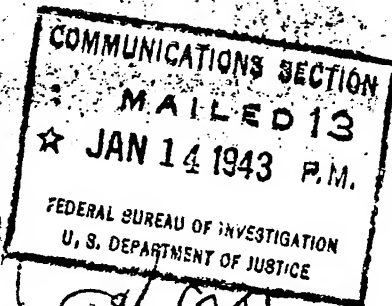
A review of the Bureau files fails to indicate that any action has been taken in this matter by your Office. In view of the fact that seven months have passed since this request was made, I desire that the instructions contained in my reference letter be complied with immediately, and I will expect to receive a complete report from your Office without further delay.

Very truly yours,

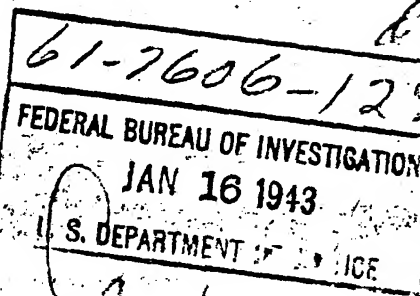
John Edgar Hoover
Director

cc - New York City

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January 9, 1943

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① Reference is made to our previous correspondence concerning the Irish Republican Army and numerous individuals connected therewith allegedly active in the Western Hemisphere.

It will be appreciated if you will furnish me with any additional pertinent information which you have available concerning the activities of the Irish Republican Army or any of the leaders thereof.

Assuring you of my desire to cooperate with you in all matters of mutual interest,

Sincerely yours,

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Honorable Adolf A. Berle, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 2028513/09
ON 12-9-87

My dear Mr. Berle:

Reference is made to the memorandum from Mr. Herbert J. Cummings of the Foreign Activity Correlation section to Mr. R. R. Roach of this Bureau dated December 14, 1942, containing certain information concerning the Irish Republican Army and one Jimmy Breslane who is stated to be the newly elected head of the Irish Republican Army in the United States.

A review of this Bureau's files fails to identify any information concerning James or Jimmy Breslane. However, for your information the files of this Bureau contain numerous indications that one James Brislane, 1404 Lexington Avenue, New York City is the active leader of Irish activities and possibly of Irish Republican Army activities in the United States.

It will be appreciated if you can advise me or ascertain through the Consular representative in Cork, Ireland whether or not these two individuals are identical or may possibly be identical.

In view of the numerous complaints and allegations received concerning the Irish Republican Army and in view of the allegations in the reference memorandum to the effect that [REDACTED]

(b7D) [REDACTED] it will be appreciated if you will furnish me with all the information available to you concerning the background, activities and connections of the Irish Republican Army with particular emphasis on the ramifications and activities of I.R.A. elements in this country and on the activities and connections of individuals who are believed to be active in the I.R.A. outside of Ireland at the present time or whose present whereabouts are unknown.

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Sincerely yours,

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January 9, 1943

SAC, New York City

PERSONAL ATTENTION

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - S

Dear Sir:

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12-9-87

Enclosed are copies of a communication received by the Bureau from the Foreign Activity Correlation section of the Department of State. As you will note this communication states that a member of the American Consular Service at Cork, Ireland, has been informed that the newly elected head of the I.R.A. in the United States is one Jimmy Breslans and that the I.R.A. in this country is officially operating as a pro-German body with German funds.

A review of the Bureau files fails to reveal any record of Jimmy Breslans, however, certain references are contained in the Bureau files concerning one James Breslans who is believed to be identical with the individual referred to by the State Department.

In this connection reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated October 4, 1939 at New York City in the case entitled, "Irish Activities in the United States; Subversive Activities", on Page 9 of which report information is contained that the Certificate of Incorporation of the I.R.A. Veterans, Inc., filed on April 13, 1938, in New York City, listed as one of the directors thereof James Breslans, 1494 Lexington Avenue, New York City. (61-7606-13)

Reference is also made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated October 2, 1942 in the case entitled, [redacted] New York file No. 98-296, wherein information received from [redacted] is set out as follows:

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Hendon
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A review of the Bureau files indicates no additional information concerning Brislane.

A communication is being sent to the State Department requesting additional information concerning this matter and you will be subsequently advised of any additional information received.

In connection with your investigation of the Irish Republican Army, it is desired that you determine the background, activities and contacts of James Brislane, alias Jimmy Breslane, James Breslane, and James Breslin. In this connection your attention is called to previous correspondence between the Bureau and the New York City and Newark Offices concerning the allegations made by [REDACTED] that [REDACTED]

(b1c) In view of this allegation and in view of the numerous reports contained in the files, both of your Office and of the Bureau, that the Irish Republican Army is receiving support and assistance from the German Government, I desire that this investigation receive careful, intensive and expeditious attention.

In so far as the allegations made by [REDACTED] are concerned, it is not desired that any investigation thereof be made in this case in the absence of subsequent Bureau instructions. It is obvious that in connection with any investigation of the Irish Republican Army, which might involve the allegations made by [REDACTED] or similar allegations, extreme discretion must be exercised.

In connection with the investigation of the Irish Republican Army your attention is called to the possibility of securing information of value which has not previously been secured in this case from [REDACTED]. It is also believed possible that additional contacts with [REDACTED] may develop additional information of value concerning Irish activities and the I.R.A.

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SAC, New York City

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It is desired that the next report submitted by your Office include a review of all pertinent information in the New York Field Office files concerning the Irish Republican Army, not previously furnished the Bureau in reports in this case.

In view of the allegations which have been received concerning past and potential sabotage by the I.R.A., it is desired that in connection with this investigation adequate informant coverage be developed concerning Irish revolutionary activities, the Irish Republican Army and any other connected group which may in the future commit any act of sabotage or may be presently or may become inimical to the internal security of the United States.

The New York Office is the Office of origin in this case, and appropriate leads should be set out for other Field Divisions wherever they are considered necessary or advisable.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

January 26, 1943

Director, FBI

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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN PARTY

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of December 21, 1942, in the above matter, Bureau File No. 61-7000, wherein the Bureau requested to be advised as to the exact status of this case at the present time.

This is to advise that this case has been assigned for investigation and it is anticipated that a report will be submitted in the very near future.

Very truly yours,

J. F. Sears

J. F. SEARS
Special Agent in Charge

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK, NEW YORK**

Chicago File No. **100-4633**

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| TITLE IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY | | | CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - IRISH |

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File No. 61-7606.
Bureau letter to Chicago Field Division, dated
January 14, 1943.

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Chicago File No. 100-4635

Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

SA [REDACTED] - 1-26-43

REFERENCE

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Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
dated December 19, 1942, at New York, New York.

DETAILS:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
SA [REDACTED] 1-26-43

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

(b7D) Will recontact [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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Will review files and conduct appropriate investigation for the purpose of ascertaining the present activities and subversive tendencies, if any, of the IRA in the Chicago area.

Chicago File No. 100-4633

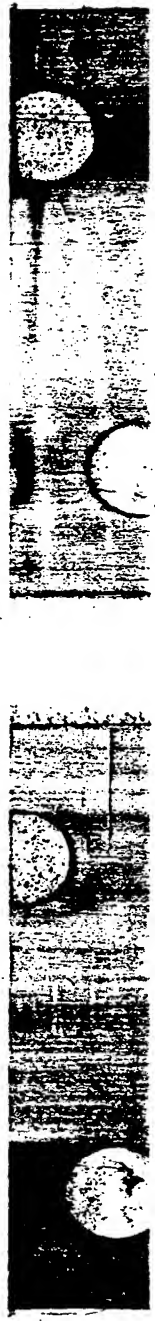
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SA [REDACTED] 1-28-43

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| San Francisco, California | 1/26/43 | 11/4,30/42;12/7/42 | (b7c) PMH | | |
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SYNOPSIS:

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File reviewed and pertinent information set forth.
Knights of Red Branch incorporated in State of Calif-
ornia as of April 20, 1399. It is a voluntary,
incorporated organization whose purpose is to pur-
chase, acquire, take and hold real estate.

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DETAILS:

The file in instant case was reviewed and the follow-
ing information is being set forth at this time for
background purposes.

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| <i>M. J. Piper</i> (b7c) | | FEB 2 1943 |
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PMH

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

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In the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated at San Francisco, California, June 12, 1939, in the case entitled "KNIGHTS OF RED FRANCH HALL; ESPIONAGE", the following information appears:

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It might be stated at this time that Agents of the San Francisco office, [REDACTED] searched the lodge halls and building, and at that time it was found that the building consisted of a large basement, an entrance hallway on the first floor, and a store room which is leased out and not connected with the building proper. The upstairs is occupied by a large ballroom and an adjoining bar. There are rest rooms off the balcony of this hall and a large attic is above. A thorough search was made of the attic, rest rooms, ballroom, bar room and supply rooms on the first floor entrance, with negative results.

In the basement there was another large lodge room with several smaller locker rooms in the rear of this. In the center locker room there was a large number of rifles stored in gun racks enclosed by a glass panel. It was determined that there were 95 U. S. Springfield rifles, Model 1884, calibre 45-70. These rifles are single shot, and had sling straps and bayonets attached. In the bottom of the gun racks a supply of bayonet scabbards and web cartridge plates were found and also a number of empty 45-70 cartridge cases. These cases were examined and found to be blanks, having already been fired.

In addition to the above-mentioned guns there was one Remington Springfield Model 1879, with magazine removed, which was believed by Agents to be a 30-40.

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Special Agent [REDACTED] searched the records of incorporation at Sacramento, California, and determined the following information relative to the Knights of the Red Branch:

The Articles of Incorporation of the Knights of the Red Branch Hall Association reflect that this corporation was recognized as such in the State of California as of April 20, 1899. The association is identified in the Articles as the Knights of the Red Branch Hall Association. The Association has no capital stock and capital stock is not provided for in the Articles. The purposes of the Association are to purchase, acquire, take and hold real estate; to execute deeds of trust and to hypothecate, mortgage, grant, and convey the same, and to erect, alter and repair, manage, furnish and conduct halls and buildings upon such real estate for the meetings, accommodation and use of the said Knights of the Red Branch Hall Association and for the accommodation of other societies and lodges of a fraternal, benevolent, charitable and patriotic character and, in connection therewith, to let, lease and demise stores, offices, halls and lodge rooms in such building or buildings for said purposes and for all other lawful purposes.

The City and County of San Francisco, California, is described as the location where the principal business of the corporation shall be transacted. The number of directors of the corporation is designated as five. The directors of the corporation chosen for the first year are as follows: JAMES SMITH, THOMAS P. CROWLEY, JOHN MURPHY, J. J. O'CONNOR, and J. R. TOBIN, all of San Francisco. The Association is a voluntary, incorporated organization.

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On June 5, 1942, a letter was directed to the New York City Field Division requesting them to endeavor to obtain the subscription list of the "Gaelic American", a weekly newspaper published in New York, with offices at 165 Williams Street, Reed Building, inasmuch as this list would be highly indicative of membership in the Irish Republic Army or the Clan Na Gael.

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NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION:

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SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION:

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United States Department of Justice
4058 United States Court House
Philadelphia, Penna.

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65-370

January 26, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - Irish

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated December 21, 1942, (Bureau file number 61-7606), in the above matter, wherein the Bureau requested to be advised as to the exact status of this case at the present time.

This is to advise that this case has been assigned for investigation, and is presently receiving investigative attention. It is anticipated that a report will be submitted in the very near future.

Yours truly,

J. F. Sears
J. F. SEARS
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Date:

To: Major General George V. Strong
Assistant Chief of Staff
U.S. War Department
Washington, D. C.

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Declassify on: OADR 12-10-89

From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject:

Reference is made to your letter of February 5, 1943, concerning the distribution of anti-Semitic propaganda under the caption, "These Are All Facts". You will recall that you indicated an interest in being advised of the approximate date and the general locality of the dissemination of material of this type in the United States. S-1

It has been reported to this Bureau that material of this type under the alternative captions, "These Are All Facts", "America's Fighting Jew", and "You Can't Beat the Irish", first appeared in the vicinity of Boston, Massachusetts, during the latter part of September, 1942. Subsequently, similar material was reportedly distributed in the vicinity of Chicago, Illinois; New York City; Springfield, Illinois; South Bend, Indiana; Missoula, Montana; Rutland, Vermont; Springfield, Massachusetts; Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and Fort Meade, Maryland.

It is further reported that versions of this article have appeared in the following publications: "The Parish Digest", Portland, Oregon; the publication of the Wisconsin Retail Lumbermen's Association; and "The Gaelic American" published at New York City.

From information available it seems that this article or one of the other of its variations was reprinted by various publications and individuals throughout the country and was distributed primarily during September, November, and December, 1942. From the diversity and general circumstances surrounding its publication and distribution, it would appear that it was voluntarily copied and reprinted rather than distributed from some central source.

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March 6, 1943

SAC, New York, New York

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Dear Sir:

For your information and assistance in connection with the above subject, I am enclosing copies of a communication received by the Bureau from the Department of State, dated January 25, 1943, concerning the Irish Republican Army.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Major General George S. Brown
Assistant Chief of Staff
G-3, War Department
Washington, D. C.

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FROM: Major Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY MANIFESTO

SUBJECT:

Information has been received from a reliable, confidential source
concerning a manifesto issued by the Army Council of the Irish Republican Army
on Saturday, August 29, 1941, in relation to American troops in Northern Ireland.
The pertinent portions of this manifesto are being set forth herewith: *S-1*

- "(2) The Irish Republican Army cannot recognize the right of England or
any other power to maintain her forces in, or base them on, any part
of Irish territory without the free consent of the Irish people.
- "(3) In view of the fact that the free consent of the Irish people has not
been obtained for the present occupation of North-east Ireland by
British and Allied forces, the Irish Republican Army reserves the
right to use whatever measures present themselves to clear this terri-
tory of such forces.
- "(4) While prepared to accept aid, as in the past, from their exiled brethren
in America, or those nations which understand and recognize the right of
the Irish people to full control of their own destiny, the Irish Republican
Army, being essentially a national organization, cannot be used, nor will
it be used, as a pawn in the hands of foreign powers."

"The Situation Today: In so far as the present world situation is concerned,
the Irish Republican Army cannot recognize the right of English and American
forces to utilize the industrial and agricultural resources of this country
in the furtherance of their war plans. The occupation of a part of Ireland
by British and American forces is in itself an act of aggression; likewise
would we regard the invasion of any part of Ireland by any other foreign power
against the wishes of the Irish people."

cc: Director of Naval Intelligence

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York, N. Y.
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
Internal Security - Irish

Dear Sir:

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Director
Re: Irish Republican Army
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(C) Copies for these agencies will be maintained in the files of this office and unless advice from you is received to the contrary these agencies will be furnished with a summary of the information in the form of a confidential letter. (S)

Very truly yours,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH
Assistant Director (b7c)

J. EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



FLW:TD
10:00 AM

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 8, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

Re: Irish Republican Army

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
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Mr. Ladd _____
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(b7D)
Newark letter dated January 4, 1943, sets forth the results of an interview which Mr. Conroy and Special Agent [redacted] had with [redacted] with reference to [redacted] previous statements to the effect that [redacted]

In this connection it is noted that [redacted] suggested to [redacted] that [redacted]

While talking to [redacted] of the NYC Office on other matters, I requested that Agent [redacted] be contacted concerning this matter immediately and asked that a letter setting forth the results of this interview be forwarded to the Bureau within the next few days.

Respectfully,

F. L. Welch

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United States Department of Justice
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JANUARY 8th, 1943

Director, FBI

RE: [REDACTED]

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Special Delivery letter to the Bureau from the Newark Office dated January 4th, 1943, entitled IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY, [REDACTED] INTERNAL SECURITY - G, (Refer. 51S).

I am forwarding herewith the original and two photostatic copies of a letter which was received by Special Agent [REDACTED] of this office dated January 5th, 1943, from [REDACTED]. The letter is self-explanatory.

One photostatic copy of this letter is being furnished the Newark Office for its information with its copy of this letter, and one copy is being retained in the New York file.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
P. E. FOXWORTH,
Assistant Director

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February 4, 1943

PERSONAL ATTENTION

SAC, New York

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter to the Bureau dated January 8, 1943, captioned [REDACTED]

In view of the allegation made [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] it is desired that in connection with the presently pending investigation of the Irish Republican Army consideration be given to securing the records of the Clan-na-Gael at such time as this investigation progresses to the point where securing the records of the Irish Republican Army appears advisable.

With regard to the allegation made [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It is not believed that any purpose would be served by interviewing him concerning [REDACTED] allegation. For your information the reports of the Rapp-Congress Committee in the Bureau's possession reveal that testimony was offered before that Committee by William Canning, an admitted Communist Party member, to the effect that Winus was a member of the City College Unit of the Communist Party.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Director, FBI

RE: (b7c) IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY:
(b7D) [REDACTED]
INTERNAL SECURITY - G
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of Special Agent in Charge E. E. CONROY, Newark, New Jersey, dated January 4, 1943, in the above-entitled matter.

(b7c) It is noted that [REDACTED] in his interview with Special Agent in Charge E. E. CONROY and Special Agent [REDACTED] of the New York Office, made reference to [REDACTED] in connection with the IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY.

There is being forwarded, herewith, a memorandum prepared by Agent [REDACTED] which refers to this matter.

Very truly yours,

P. E. Foxworth

P. E. FOXWORTH
Assistant Director

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(b7c) [REDACTED] VCD

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York, New York

January 8th, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE THOMAS J. DONEGAN

(b7c)
(b7D) Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY.
[REDACTED]
INTERNAL SECURITY (G)

I have been shown a copy of a letter dated January 4th, 1943 to the Director, Washington, D. C., in which it is mentioned that Special Agent [REDACTED] should get in touch with me concerning [REDACTED]

For your information, the writer was assigned the case of the Irish Republican Army, which is file 98-88, and which is presently not available. When this was taken over by the writer, practically no information had been developed regarding the identity or activities of this organization. I was successful in contacting a member of the Irish Republican Army and was placed upon the mailing list of their underground newspaper, "The Irish Republican", which I had sent to my home on Long Island. This was with the full knowledge and consent of Special Agent in Charge Sackett. Copies of this newspaper, together with the envelopes with which they were addressed to me, were immediately forwarded to the Bureau and the Bureau and the Special Agent in Charge were kept fully advised regarding my contacts with this group.

I recall that at one time I was invited by the contact I made to attend a meeting of the Irish Republican Army and discussed this matter with Mr. Sackett. He telephoned to the Bureau and they refused permission for me to join this organization. Therefore I did not join.

This has been my only contact with the Irish Republican Army and since the case was assigned to some other agent, I have not done one single minute's work upon it.

With regard to [REDACTED]

It is noted further that reference is made to a [REDACTED]

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Special Agent (A)
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Colonel William J. Donovan
Director
Office of Strategic Services
25th and I Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Bill:

Reference is made to your request of October 23, 1941, concerning the Irish Republican Army and to your advice at that time that a study was being made by you of the Irish Revolutionary Movement and to my letter to you dated November 8, 1941, concerning the same subject.

It will be appreciated if you will furnish me with any pertinent information available to you concerning the activities of the Irish Republican Army with particular stress on any activities in the Western Hemisphere.

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Sincerely yours,
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J. Edgar Hoover

BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

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January 13, 1943

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

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Reference is made to previous correspondence concerning the Irish Republican Army.

It will be appreciated if you will furnish me with all pertinent information available to you concerning the activities of the Irish Republican Army in the Western Hemisphere which has not previously been forwarded to me.

In connection with this request I particularly desire information concerning the present status and activities of the Irish Republican Army and the identities and whereabouts of any individuals actively connected therewith who may be in the United States, who are operating outside of Ireland, or whose present whereabouts are not known.

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r. Tolson _____
r. E. A. Tamm _____
r. Clegg _____
r. Glavin _____
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK, NEW YORK**

BUTTE FILE NO. 100-3533

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| REPORT MADE AT BUTTE, MONTANA | DATE WHEN MADE 1/14/43 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/2/43 | REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] |
| TITLE IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY | | | CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - IRISH |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Reference:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
New York, New York, December 19, 1942.

Details:

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A review of the pertinent files of the Butte Field Division reflects the following information concerning SEAN RUSSELL, Irish Republican Army leader.

[REDACTED] on May 27, 1939 advised that Major General SEAN RUSSELL, Chief of Staff of the Irish Republican Army, is reported in the press as having admitted that recent bombings in England had been ordered by the IRA although not necessarily by him personally and that such bombings would continue until British soldiers leave Ireland.

[REDACTED] advised that a reliable confidential source had stated that RUSSELL was suspected as being in the United States illegally and that while in Los Angeles, California RUSSELL had held a meeting on

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: *[Signature]* SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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May 15, 1939 with Captain FRITZ WIEDEMANN, German Consul General, San Francisco, California, HERMAN SCHWINN, German Band leader, and HENRY SCHMIDT, a radical unionist. Further, this source of information reported that RUSSELL had left for Portland, Oregon on May 22, 1942 and that after staying three or four days in that locality would leave for Montana to confer with former Congressman JERRY J. O'CONNELL.

Prior to the receipt of the above information, inquiry had been made at this office by representatives of the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service concerning the whereabouts of SEAN RUSSELL, it being the understanding of those representatives that RUSSELL was in Butte, Montana registered at one of the hotels.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
607 U. S. Court House
Foley Square
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98-88

May 8, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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ON 12-10-87

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
Internal Security

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding herewith report #23 dated March 14, 1941 of [REDACTED] which relates to certain activities of the United Irish Republicans which are on the behalf of the Irish Republican Army. (b7c) (b7D)

A copy of the report is being placed in the file for information purposes.

Very truly yours,

T. J. DONEGAN, Acting for
E. J. CONNELLEY,
Assistant Director

cc NY File 62-6772
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May 8, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY *SP8 BTJ/ag*
ON *12-10-87*

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
Internal Security

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith the original of
report #28 dated March 17, 1941 which relates to this
organization.

A copy of the report is being placed in the
file for information purposes.

Very truly yours,

T. J. DONEGAN, Acting for
E. J. CONNELLEY,
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May 26, 1941

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 2887573/08
ON 12-10-87

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
Internal Security

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is the original of report
#64 dated April 16, 1941 of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] which relates to a demonstration of Irish extremists
against England. (b7c)
(b7D)

A copy of the report is being placed in the
file for information purposes.

Very truly yours,

T. J. DONEGAN, Acting for
E. J. CONNELLEY,
Assistant Director

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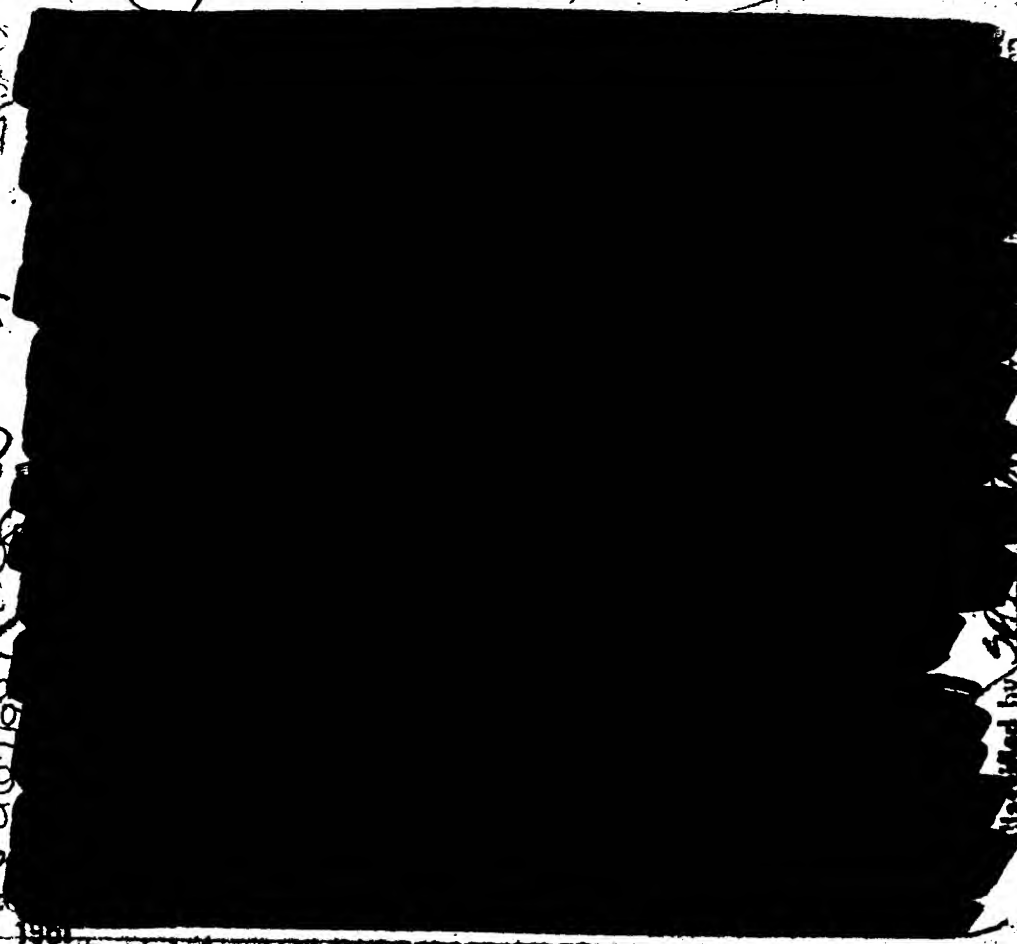
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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED], dated July 15, 1942 at New York City; Letter from San Francisco Office dated June 5, 1942; Bureau letters dated May 26, 1942 and June 10, 1942.

DETAILS:

AT NEW YORK CITY

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DISTINCTION BETWEEN IRA VETS. AND THE
IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY.

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(b1) [REDACTED]

(b7c) Files of the New York Field Office, report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated at New York City, October 4, 1939, entitled IRISH ACTIVITIES IN THE UNITED STATES - Subversive Activities (61-555) reflect that the IRA Vets. filed Certificate of Incorporation on April 13, 1938 in New York City stating the purpose to be the cultivation of social intercourse among members, establishment of a social center for benevolent and educational interests for members or providing of facilities for physical and mental recreation of members, and providing funds for disabled veterans. This report reflects that a number of individuals presently identified with the radical Irish Republic Army in New York City were instrumental in the organization of the Veterans, at that time.

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(b1) [REDACTED]

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SEAN RUSSELL

A review of the files of this office reflects (61-555-20) that RUSSELL came to the United States in 1936 from Ireland to conduct a campaign in support of the IRA movement. He is said to have been one of the executive officers of the IRA in Ireland and he traveled throughout the United States accompanied part of the time by JOSEPH McGARRITY. He spoke to Irish groups in many cities, and described himself as head of the Irish Republican Army. He was held by the immigration authorities on deportation charges in Detroit, Michigan and was released after notification from Washington that a \$5,000 bond had been approved for him.

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A review of the files of this office, the report of Special [redacted] dated July 15, 1942, in the instant case, reflects that Neenan maintained a residence at 209 W. 109th Street, New York City and was employed by [redacted]. Investigation disclosed that this address [redacted]

[redacted] was erroneous. It is also stated that Neenan was believed to be a salesman for the New Ray Petroleum Company of this city in the Philadelphia District. He is supposed to have been residing in May, 1942, c/o [redacted] at 2010 S. Fraser Street, Philadelphia, Pa. [redacted]

The file reflects Neenan was indicted in the Southern District of New York on December 29, 1938 for "smuggling into the United States and distributing in interstate commerce, tickets purporting to be lottery tickets, conspiracy." Further Neenan is a fugitive from justice, and if located would be prosecuted on this charge. The following description of Neenan appears on his application for an operator's permit:

| | |
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| Born | August 7, 1894 |
| Height | 5'11 1/2" |
| Weight | 162 pounds |
| Eyes | Gray |
| Hair | Gray |
| Color | Fair |
| Sex | Male |

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A review of the files of this office reflects that in December, 1938, JOSEPH McGARRITY stated that a campaign against England was about to take place and that the fight would be carried on in the occupied Counties of Northern Ireland and in England.

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(b7D) THE GAELIC AMERICAN is the subject of a pending case in this office and is published in the Reed Building, 165 Williams Street, by a REILLY. It is known to make attacks against Russia and to be very critical of bureaucracy in Washington, D. C. It was the organ of the IRA in this country a number of years ago but recently has been ridiculing and "taking slaps at" the IRA.

[REDACTED]

THE IRISH ADVOCATE, published weekly on Saturday at 53-63 Park Row, New York City in the New York World Building. JOHN C. O'CONNOR, Irish sympathizer, is the publisher.

IRISH ECHO, published weekly on Saturday at 152 E. 121st Street by CHARLES CONNOLLY. It is Communist-inspired and prior to the war extremely isolationist; however after December 7, 1941 it changed its policy completely and became interventionist-minded. Charles Connolly, who is editor and publisher, is said to be very radical. WEDGER ECHER is the sports editor and TERRY LONG, the social editor.

THE IRISH WORLD.

COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN THE IRA

(b1) [REDACTED]

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 19, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
[REDACTED]
INTERNAL SECURITY - G

Reference is made to my memorandum to you dated December 18, 1942, advising that [REDACTED] who, [REDACTED] has been con-
tacted by Special Agent [REDACTED] of the New York Office periodically
in connection with reports on Communist matters which [REDACTED] has been
making available to the Bureau and to [REDACTED] As
you will also remember, [REDACTED] had alleged to [REDACTED] that [REDACTED]

Pursuant to your instructions, Special Agent in Charge E. E.
Conroy, accompanied by Special Agent [REDACTED] forcefully interviewed
[REDACTED] Mr. Conroy advised
[REDACTED] of the Bureau's concern regarding those allegations and of the
necessity that the Bureau receive all information in [REDACTED] possession
concerning these allegations. He was also told that in the event he did
not divulge this information he might be called before a Federal Grand Jury.

Special Agent in Charge Conroy has advised that [REDACTED]

For your information the
Clan-na-Gael is an Irish organization and the Bureau has received numerous 1943
allegations that it is a front for radical I.R.A. activities in the New
York area.

As an example of the statements made by [REDACTED] as to [REDACTED]



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Special Agent [REDACTED] of the New York City Office was subsequently contacted concerning this matter and advised in a memorandum to Special Agent in Charge Thomas J. Donegan that at one time the investigation of the Irish Republican Army was assigned to him at which time he was successful in contacting a member of the organization and was placed upon the mailing list of the underground newspaper of the I.R.A., "The Irish Republican" with the full knowledge and consent of the then Special Agent in Charge B. E. Sackett. Copies of this newspaper, together with the envelopes in which they were received, were immediately forwarded to the Bureau. Special Agent [REDACTED] advised also that at one time he was invited by his contact to attend a meeting at the I.R.A. and this was discussed with Mr. Sackett who contacted the Bureau and was advised that permission for Agent [REDACTED] to join the I.R.A. was refused. Consequently, Special Agent [REDACTED] did not join the I.R.A. and since the investigation of this organization was re-assigned has had no other contact with the organization. Special Agent [REDACTED] also states that he is not acquainted with anyone in the Anti-Trust Division of the Department of Justice or with any individual named [REDACTED]

A review of the Bureau files reveals no record of any Agent named [REDACTED]. The New York Office has also advised that subsequent to the conversation between [REDACTED] Special Agent in Charge Conroy and Agent [REDACTED] above referred to, Agent [REDACTED] received a letter from [REDACTED] dated January 5, 1943, and expressing [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

ACTION RECOMMENDED: In view of the fact that it appears probable that [REDACTED] has no further definite information to back up his allegations concerning [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] it is believed that further contact with him in this matter would be neither productive or advisable. In view of the fact that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] his allegations concerning [REDACTED] are not being called to the Department's attention unless advice to the contrary is received. In connection with the presently pending investigation of the Irish Republican Army in New York City, consideration will be given to securing the records of the Clan-Na-Gael. In view of the allegations that [REDACTED] is not considered advisable to interview him.

A letter to the New York Office is attached bringing this matter to their attention.

Respectfully,

D. M. Ladd
D. M. Ladd

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Office of the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
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| CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - RISE | | | |

Irish Republican Army not registered with the Attorney General as an agent of a foreign principal nor is it registered under the Voorhis Act.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
dated December 19, 1942 at New York, N. Y.

DETAILS:

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that the Irish Republican Army is not registered under the Voorhis Act.

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THE WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

(b7c) At Washington, D. C., will ascertain at [REDACTED] whether or not [REDACTED] is presently employed by [REDACTED] as a civilian or otherwise.

Will also ascertain his duties as such and where he is located at the present time, if it is found that he is employed by them.

(b7c) Will check the indices and confidential files of the Washington Field Office for information concerning [REDACTED]

He is reported to be a member of the IRA and [REDACTED]

Will also check the indices and confidential files for pertinent information concerning the IRA and its activities and subversive tendencies at the present time. In this connection, it has been reported that representatives of the IRA have been in contact with the various embassies in Washington, D. C.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT

Identified as ASHER W. SCHWARTZ, Special War Policies
Unit, War Division, Department of Justice.

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SPECIAL DELIVERY

January 4, 1943

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY [redacted] (b7c)

~~DEFERRED RECORDING~~ (b7c) (b7d)

INTERNAL SECURITY (G)
(Refer: 51S)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated December 24, 1942
(Bureau File No. 61-7606).

(b7c) (b7d)
Special Agent [redacted] in keeping with advice given
Special Agent F. L. Welch of the Bureau on December 31, 1942, made arrange-
ments this morning by telephone with [redacted]
for Agent [redacted] and me to confer with [redacted] at his home [redacted]
[redacted]. The conference [redacted], which took place late this morning,
lasted about an hour or more.

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SAC, New York, New York

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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

Dear Sir:

For your information and assistance in connection with the investigation of the Irish Republican Army, I am enclosing copies of a memorandum dated February 2, 1943, from the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Your particular attention is called to the information contained in this memorandum concerning the present whereabouts of Sean Russell and the two sources of information in New York City which are mentioned:

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It is not desired that a separate investigation be conducted of Sean Russell at the present time. However, the material contained in the enclosed memorandum should be given appropriate attention in connection with the investigation of the Irish Republican Army.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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IRISH REPUTATION

The Irish Republic formerly was published at 1617 Lenoxworth Place, Bronx, New York City. It reportedly was the organ of the Irish Republican Army and was financed with the assistance of IRA District Number One. The distribution of this newspaper reportedly was limited to IRA members and its publication was discontinued in August, 1941, because of lack of funds.

The Gaelic American is presently being published at 165 Williams Street, New York City, by one Reilly, and is reported to presently be opposed to the IRA although a number of years ago it was an Irish Republican Army organ.

No other reports have been received indicating the publication of Irish newspapers or periodicals favorable to the Irish Republican Army at the present time.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LAWRENCE M. C. SMITH
CHIEF, SPECIAL WAR POLICIES UNIT

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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12-14-87

Reference is made to your memorandum to the Bureau captioned "Clan-na-Gael - Irish Republican Army in United States", dated January 8, 1943, requesting information in the files of this Bureau concerning a number of organizations and individuals. I also desire to reference my memorandum to you in answer thereto dated January 20, 1943.

For your information and assistance in this matter copies of the following reports were forwarded to the Division of Records on March 3, 1943:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated August 29, 1939, at Butte, Montana;

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated September 22, 1939, at San Francisco, California;

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated October 4, 1939, at New York City;

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated October 16, 1939, at New York City;

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated July 16, 1940, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;

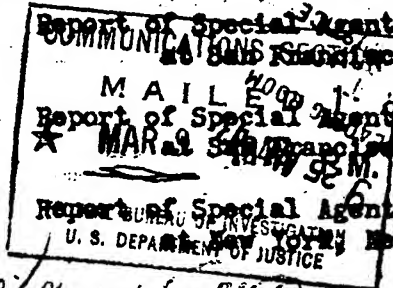
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated February 18, 1941, at San Francisco, California;

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated May 28, 1941, at San Francisco, California;

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated August 28, 1941, at San Francisco, California;

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated July 15, 1942, at New York, New York;

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Memorandum for Mr. Lawrence M. C. Smith

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(b7c) Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated January 26, 1943, at San Francisco, California;

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated January 26, 1943, at Chicago, Illinois.

(b1) [REDACTED]

With regard to the requests contained in my memorandum of January 20, 1943, it will be appreciated if you will furnish me as soon as possible with copies of all information in your possession concerning the organizations and individuals listed in your memorandum of January 8, 1943, together with the source of such information and the basis of your request for the material forwarded herewith. I desire also to refer you to my specific request in that memorandum concerning the basis and source of your information regarding the death of Sean Russell in 1939.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMISSIONER
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

Reference is made to your memorandum dated February 2, 1943, concern-
ing Sean Russell.

With regard to your request concerning information in the files of
this Bureau pertinent to the present whereabouts of Sean Russell, you are ad-
vised that no active investigation of this individual has recently been or is
presently being conducted. In addition to the information already made avail-
able to you, recent allegations have been received that Sean Russell died in
Lisbon, Portugal, early in 1941. A report has also been received that Sean
Russell has recently been seen in Germany, allegedly attempting to organize an
Irish Brigade from among British prisoners of war for action against England in
furtherance of the Irish revolutionary movement.

(b1) [REDACTED]

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
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ASSASSINATION OF SEAN RUSSELL

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CONFIDENTIAL In addition to the above no pertinent information has been received concerning Russell's whereabouts which has not previously been made available to you. In this connection it should be noted, however, that reports received from [REDACTED] indicate that [REDACTED]

(b7D) [REDACTED]

It will be appreciated if you will furnish me with any additional information which you receive concerning Russell and with advice as to any action which you may take to enforce the surety bond referred to in your reference memorandum. Any pertinent information concerning Russell's whereabouts received by this Bureau in the future will, of course, be called to your attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Honorable Adam A. Berle, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Berle:

For your information and assistance I am enclosing one copy of a memorandum concerning the Irish Republican Army, marked at the top "STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL".

(C) [REDACTED] Consequently, this material should be kept in strictest confidence, should not be transmitted to any other individual or agency and should not be made the basis for any inquiry without previously advising this Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E.A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Coffey _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
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Mr. Arthur M. Thurston
The American Embassy
London, England

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR POUCH

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your communication dated January 29,
1943, captioned "I.R.A."

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Very truly yours,

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~~BY SPECIAL MESSENGER~~

Honorable Adolf A. Berle, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

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ON 12-14-87

My dear Mr. Berle:

Reference is made to my communication to you
of January 11, 1943, concerning the Irish Republican
Army.

Any information which you can furnish me re-
garding this subject will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Communication #349

AMERICAN EMBASSY
London, England
February 22, 1943

VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Attention:

Dear Sir:

There is being transmitted herewith a clipping from
the Sunday Dispatch of February 21, 1943 entitled "Hitler Has a
Spy Gang in Dublin."

This is a very general article concerning Axis
espionage, Fifth Column and propaganda activity in Dublin, Ireland;
and while it contains only general information, it is being trans-
mitted for record purposes.

Very truly yours,

Arthur M. Thurston

Arthur M. Thurston
Inspector

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Hitler Has a Spy Gang in Dublin

IT has often been said that neutral Dublin, neutral Lisbon, and neutral Berne are beehives of Axis espionage, fifth-column and propaganda activity.

How true, or untrue, this may be about Berne and Lisbon is more difficult to ascertain than with Dublin.

Some weeks ago an American journalist, on his way back to the United States from London, halted in Dublin for a few days expecting to get a grand story on Dublin's espionage.

He arrived with the idea that Nazi and Fascist officials strutted down O'Connell-street, that every telephone line was tapped, that the city was full of glittering blondes and brunette vamps.

Disappointed

AFTER two boring days and nights in unsuccessful search of adventure he paid a courtesy visit to his Legation in Phoenix Park, took a plane to Limerick to get his connection to the Atlantic Clipper, and made off, disappointed that nothing at all had happened.

He had not realised that whatever Axis activity was carried on

By A Neutral

in Dublin would be carried on subtly, unobtrusively, quietly.

He did not realise that it all had to be done so discreetly that the ever-vigilant Dublin police would not get suspicious, for Eire's neutrality laws are very strict and are most rigidly enforced.

He did not know that the man with the drooping moustache who passed him in the street was actually of German nationality, that the smartly-dressed portly gentleman with greyish hair whom he saw having a drink in a hotel lounge was actually the Italian Minister.

Two Radios

THE American journalist had heard a story somewhere that the German Legation had a staff of 200 people and the Italian Mission one of 180; that both were continually operating short-wave transmitters. When he went to those two small suburban villas and saw that they could, at best, house eight or ten people, he could not believe his eyes.

Despite this, there is, without doubt, some Axis activity going on in Dublin.

The first outward sign of this

may be seen on many a wall bearing a chalked swastika. This may, or may not, mean much, as most Axis work is, doubtless, done by some members of that subterranean organisation, the "Irish Republican Army," which is violently anti-British.

True to the doctrine expounded in his "Mein Kampf," Hitler decided to make use, as far as Eire was concerned, of members of groups hostile to the existing régime. And so, because there are only 328 German citizens in Eire (compared with 28,000 British), not many of whom were suited for the Gestapo's special purposes, it was decided to make use of selected members of the I.R.A., financing them properly, and then putting them under the orders and supervision of one German keyman.

It is, of course, impossible to ascertain beyond a shadow of doubt who this keyman is. But people in the know in Dublin agree that the Press Secretary of the German Legation, named Petersen, is the likely man.

It is generally assumed in Dublin that if any illicit short-wave transmitting is being done in Eire it is being done by Petersen's agents operating from mountain hide-outs.

How the Axis agents send hot news from Dublin to Germany is a matter for specialists to find out.

Radiolocation experts are convinced that no transmitters are operated from either the German or Italian Legation.

Parachutist

ON the other hand, they are equally convinced that short-wave transmitting is being done from the western mountains.

The Irish are trying their hardest to curb activities from any side which might endanger their neutrality.

Yet it was possible for a German spy, who had served four years' penal servitude in Britain for espionage and was deported just before the outbreak of the war—a man named Hermann Goertz—to land in Eire by parachute, equipped with radio set, money, weapons, and all the paraphernalia of a secret service agent.

Not only was it possible for him to land, but also to shave off his moustache, live in a cottage in the outskirts of Dublin, act the respectable citizen, mix with people, and remain at liberty for several months.

The British authorities are taking good care to examine the record of any would-be traveller to Dublin (or Belfast, for that matter) before they let him go.

The more difficult this journey is made the less chance there is for Herr Petersen to get any worthwhile information.

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March 15, 1943

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RE: ^①IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

Reference is made to our previous correspondence concern-
ing the above organization. (b1)

It has been noted that considerable recent newspaper
publicity has been devoted to a statement made by Irish Attorney
General J. C. MacDermott, on March 11, 1943, to the effect that
documents seized from the Irish Republican Army had disclosed a
carefully laid plan for a campaign of violence on the part of
the above organization to disorganize war industry, defenses,
services and transport in Northern Ireland.

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CGT Mr. Arthur M. Thurston

The American Embassy

London, England

Mr. D. M. Ladd

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Irish Plot to Halt War Effort Found.

Belfast, March 11 (AP).—A plot by the outlawed Irish Republican Army to disorganize war industry, defenses, services and transport in Northern Ireland has been disclosed in documents seized from the organization, Attorney General J. C. MacDermott announced today.

MacDermott said the papers showed that it was a carefully laid plan for a campaign of violence and that "it is quite clear this is not a matter of 'froth and bubble.'"

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SAC, Chicago

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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Dear Sir:

(b1) [REDACTED]

(5) On May 1, 1942, the Bureau received advice from the Department of State that Patrick Hughes, Vice Consul of the Irish Consulate in New York City, was born in Ireland in 1894 and assumed his duties in New York City on June 13, 1938, after having served as Acting Consul in Chicago, Illinois, for five years. The State Department also advised that Hughes last arrived in the United States aboard the S.S. Samaria on June 13, 1938, and that his home address at that time was 33-72 156th Street, Flushing, New York. On April 21, 1942, the State Department advised that Patrick Hughes had been transferred to Chicago, Illinois, to take charge of the Irish Consulate there, which transfer was made necessary by the death of the former Consul, Daniel T. McGrath.

It is not desired that the Chicago Office conduct any active investigation of Patrick Hughes but any information secured concerning him in connection with the Irish Republican Army should be reported in captioned case.

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E.A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. McGuire
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Piper
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

Your attention is called to the fact that information available to the Bureau uniformly indicates a bitter antagonism on the part of the Irish Republican Army adherents to representatives of the Irish Free State Government, in view of the fact that the Irish Republican Army feels that the Irish Free State Government in compromising with England has betrayed the cause of Irish freedom. However, the possibility of course exists that Patrick Hughes is an Irish Republican Army member or sympathizer and that this fact is unknown to the Irish Free State authorities.

It is desired that the above information be kept in mind in connection with this investigation.

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Very truly yours,

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For your additional information and assistance in connection with the above-captioned case, I am enclosing copies of a summary of information concerning the Irish Republican Army received from [redacted] (170)

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Mr Gandy 27 1943

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York, New York

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March 22, 1943

Director, F.B.I.

Re: ⁰ IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY; INTERNAL
SECURITY - Irish

Dear Sir:

[REDACTED] (C)

(b1) [REDACTED] (C)

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Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge

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AMERICAN EMBASSY
London, England
February 25, 1943

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH
PERSONAL AND ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

Re Irish Republican Army

(b1) *Irish Republican Army*

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It would be appreciated if this detail would be attended to promptly and the writer advised of the results in order that these gentlemen can be advised.

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Very truly yours,

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Arthur M. Thurston
Inspector

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VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR POUCH

Mr. Arthur M. Thurston
The American Embassy
London, England

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

Dear Sir:

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(b1) [REDACTED] (S)

[REDACTED] (S)

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E.A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. McGuire
- Mr. Mumford
- Mr. Piper
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

Very truly yours,

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Richmond, Virginia

February 25, 1943

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Washington, D. C.

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RE:

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CUSTODIAL DETENTION

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated January 3, 1943 at Washington, D. C., Bureau File No. 65-12954, in the above captioned case, reflecting that the subject is [redacted]

Since there is no further investigation to be conducted in this territory, it is requested that the office of origin be changed to New York. If this request is granted, necessary serials will be transmitted to the New York Office, along with the Custodial Detention Card on the subject.

Very truly yours,

H. I. BORRITT
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cc - New York
Washington Field

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March 16, 1943

Special Agent in Charge
Richmond, Virginia

Re:

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INTERNAL SECURITY - C
CUSTOMER REGISTRATION

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of March 15, 1943 requesting that the division of origin be changed in the above titled case.

You are hereby authorized to designate New York as the division of origin.

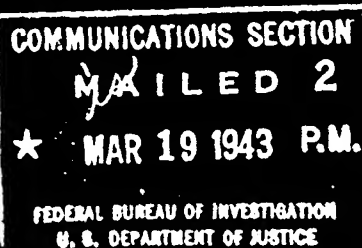
Upon receipt of this communication, you are requested to carefully check your file and make certain that the new division of origin has all serials in the case containing important data.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC: New York



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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and C

Dear Sir:

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- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
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(b1) [REDACTED] (S)

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It is not desired that you conduct any active investigation concerning the whereabouts of Sean Russell. However, any information secured by you in connection with the investigation of the Irish Republican Army concerning his whereabouts should immediately be called to the Bureau's attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC: Boston
Detroit
Philadelphia
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Mr. Arthur M. Thurston
The American Embassy
London, England

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR POUCH

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter to the Bureau dated February 17, 1943, concerning the activities of the Irish Republican Army and the present whereabouts of Sean Russell.

A review of the Bureau files fails to indicate the present whereabouts of Sean Russell.

(61) [REDACTED] (S) Although efforts have been made by the Immigration and Naturalization Service to do so, they have advised this Bureau that they have been unable to verify Russell's departure from the United States. No information, however, has come to the Bureau's attention indicating that he is still here.

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. McGuire
Mr. Ford

Mr. Tamm

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Mr. Arthur M. Thurston

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It is understood that proceedings have been instituted in Detroit, Michigan, to cancel a \$5,000 bond given for Russell's departure from the United States in 1939. No active investigation of Russell is presently being conducted by the Bureau. If you so desire, however, affirmative efforts will be made to determine the circumstances regarding his alleged departure from the United States and his present whereabouts.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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March 18, 1943

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) OF 62-46
DATE 4/5/53

SAC, New York

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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Dear Sir:

For your information and assistance in connection with the above investigation.

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It is desired that you carefully evaluate the information contained in these reports and the pertinent portions thereof should be set out in a subsequent investigative report. It is noted that these reports contain certain references to other individuals and organizations, some of which are the subjects of separate investigations by your office. It is desired that this information be carefully correlated into any other investigations being conducted by you.

Mr. Tolson _____
 Mr. E.A. Tamm _____ Although the information contained in these reports is primarily
 Mr. Clegg _____ concerned with activities in the area covered by your field division, it is
 Mr. Coffey _____ noted that certain references appear to Irish activities in other sections.
 Mr. Glavin _____ Consequently you are directed to review and evaluate the information so
 Mr. Ladd _____ referring to other areas and if possible set out appropriate leads for the
 Mr. Nichols _____ interested field divisions in the reports in which this material is incorporated.

Mr. [REDACTED] (67) [REDACTED]
Mr. [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Mr. [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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- Mr. Hays
Mr. Hendon
Mr. McGowan
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Pappas
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Mr. Galt

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

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Lieut. General William J. Donovan
Director
Office of Strategic Services
25th and E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

As of possible interest to you the following information
has recently been received from a confidential source:

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(b1) [REDACTED]

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. McGuire
- Mr. Mumford
- Mr. Piper
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

Sincerely yours,

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. L. M. C. SMITH
CHIEF, SPECIAL WAR POLICIES UNIT

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

Reference is made to your memorandum to this Bureau dated March 31, 1943, captioned Irish Republican Army, Clan-na-Gael, and enclosing a copy of a memorandum concerning the I.R.A. dated March 19, 1943.

This enclosed memorandum has been examined with interest and it is noted it states that it supplements a memorandum concerning the I.R.A. dated December 12, 1942, and does not duplicate that memorandum except where repetition has been necessary for transition.

It will be appreciated if you will make available to me at your earliest convenience a copy of the memorandum dated December 12, 1942, referred to in the enclosure to your reference memorandum as above noted.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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March 23, 1943

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MR. WELCH

RE: SEAN RUSSELL
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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Pursuant to your instructions I telephonically contacted Mr. Pennington's office concerning the Departmental inquiry regarding Sean Russell made by Lambert O'Donnell of the Criminal Division. Both Mr. Pennington and his secretary who handled this original telephonic request were not available; consequently, I telephonically contacted Lambert O'Donnell, Extension 780, Room 1114, Criminal Division, Department of Justice.

O'Donnell advised that he was desirous of securing certain information concerning the alleged departure of Sean Russell from the United States, in view of the fact that an action had been filed in the U. S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Detroit, Michigan, to forfeit a \$5,000 surety bond given for Russell's departure from the United States. O'Donnell stated that Congressman James P. McGranery was interested in this matter and had made some inquiries of the Department concerning it.

O'Donnell was advised to put any request which he desired to make in a written memorandum properly directed to the attention of this section and he stated that he would do so.

J.A. Tamm

Clegg As you will recall there have been numerous reports concerning the present whereabouts of Sean Russell, including various reports of his death, but it has been impossible to verify any of these reports.

Ladd

ACTION: No further action in this matter is necessary at the present time pending receipt of the Departmental memorandum above described. It is believed that this memorandum should be filed in order to make

a matter of record.

Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. McGuire
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Piper
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

Respectfully,

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W. K. Harvey

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W. F. Harvey

Handwritten: I have been thinking about you a lot lately. I hope you are well. I will be home soon. I love you. I will be home soon. I love you.

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Irish Republican Army Believed Near Outbreak

BELFAST, March 22—Officials today feared a new outbreak by the Irish Republican Army, spearheaded by several leaders who recently escaped jail, and timed to coincide with the Easter-time commemoration of the 1916 Dublin revolution.

Secret groups agitating for an end to British rule in northern Ireland were reported more active than in many years. Propaganda printed by undercover IRA presses again showed plainly that its members still feel the war has provided them opportunity for an uprising.

Among those in the recent escape was Hugh MacAteer, described as the most cunning of the IRA's present leaders. John C. McDermott, northern Ireland attorney general, warned that MacAteer and his confederates obviously studied the art of war and "should not be underestimated."

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL
WENDELL HEGGE

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190-20214 Attention: Mr. Henry A. Schweinhart

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DATE OF REVIEW 7-3-90
RE: SEAN RUSSELL,
IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY,
UNITED STATES VERSUS UNITED STATES
FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY

Reference is made to your memorandum to this Bureau dated March 24, 1943, requesting to be furnished with any information in the possession of this Bureau as to whether Sean Russell actually left the United States on or before September 10, 1939, or subsequent thereto.

Most of the information in the files of the Bureau has already been made available to the Department and in this connection specific reference is made to my memorandum of March 3, 1943, marked "Strictly Confidential" and transmitted to Mr. Lawrence M. C. Smith, Chief, Special War Policies Unit, which memorandum refers to a strictly confidential memorandum concerning the Irish Republican Army forwarded to the Division of Records on March 3, 1943, in a sealed envelope. I have no objections to this memorandum being made available to you in connection with your interest in the above matter and consequently I have designated a copy of this memorandum for Mr. L. M. C. Smith.

Mr. Tolson I desire to call your attention, however, to the following factors
Mr. E. In connection with these strictly confidential memoranda forwarded to the
Mr. C. Division of Records on March 3, 1943.

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Mr. Mumford A review of the Bureau files fails to reveal any proof or any definite
Mr. P. M. 8-1-43 concerning Sean Russell's present whereabouts or whether he
Mr. Quinn actually left the United States. In this connection it is understood th
Mr. N. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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the Immigration and Naturalization Service has been unable to substantiate Russell's departure or to determine when and by what means he may have left the country, if he actually did so leave.

As you are, of course, aware numerous rumors and unsubstantiated allegations have been received concerning Russell's alleged departure from the United States and his present whereabouts, many of which rumors allege that he is dead.

(b1) [REDACTED]

These additional rumors and unsubstantiated allegations are that Sean Russell some time ago, probably early in 1941 or before, died of an ulcerated stomach while returning from Lisbon to Ireland in a German U-boat; that Russell was seen in Germany by an Irish prisoner of war during the early part of 1941; that Russell died on August 18, 1940, of an ulcerated stomach, following four days' illness; that Russell died in France during 1940 from "green vomiting" caused by an ulcerated stomach; that Sean Russell was poisoned by the British at Lisbon.

The Bureau is in possession of no substantiation of these rumors and no additional pertinent information concerning Russell's alleged departure from the United States or his present whereabouts, other than that previously made available to the Department.

In view of the active investigation of the Irish Republican Army, it would be of considerable interest to this Bureau to know the circumstances surrounding any departure of Russell from the United States, as well as any additional information concerning him, particularly since Russell is known to have been at one time a very prominent leader of the Irish Republican Army. Consequently, it will be appreciated if you will make available to this Bureau any information which you may receive in connection with this proceeding or otherwise, either from the interested parties thereto or from other sources.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC: Mr. Lawrence M. G. Smith
Chief, Special War Policies Unit

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK, N. Y.**

DETROIT FILE NO. 100-7758

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Names of organizers and officers of Irish
Rifle Association and Greater Detroit Rod and Gun
Club and all known members of Detroit Chapter of
IRA set out together with result of check of
indices and credit and criminal records on same.

(Detroit file 100-7758)

Description of MONTEITH set out.

(b7C) - RUC -

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
dated December 19, 1942, at New York, N. Y.

DETAILS:

At Detroit, Michigan:

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The records in the custody of [REDACTED] Clerk of Wayne County, County Building, Detroit, Michigan, indicate that the Greater Detroit Rod and Gun Club filed its articles of association as a non-profit organization on February 28, 1940. The incorporators were HARRY A. ~~WANKS~~, 2624 West Grand Boulevard, WILLIAM D. ~~WENOLD~~, 127 Avalon, Highland Park, RUSSELL B. ~~BRULBAUGH~~, 127 Avalon, Highland Park, and DEAN L. ~~COBB~~, 951 Calvert. It was indicated that the organization was financed by a membership fee of \$5.00 and monthly dues of 50¢. The purpose was stated to be the promotion of true sportsmanship, the conservation of national resources and the providing of facilities to improve the use of rod and gun by the members. The names of the above incorporators were checked in the indices of the Detroit Field Division [REDACTED] with negative results.

(b7D)

The incorporation records of the Irish Rifle Association were obtained at the Wayne County Clerk's Office and indicate that the organization filed its articles on May 31, 1933 as a non-profit organization under the original name of the Wolverine Gun, Rifle and Pistol Club, which name was changed on January 24, 1934, to the Irish Rifle Association. The incorporators were SPILLANE, MONTEITH, WILLIAM T. ~~DORGAN~~ of 2352 East Grand, and JOHN ~~O'SULLIVAN~~, 133 Roessler, Monroe, Michigan. The first Board of Directors was composed of M. ~~BOURKE~~ of 3624 Hillger, JOHN O'BRIEN of 6020 Vermont and WILLIAM ~~O'DWYER~~ 4948 Kenilworth. The purpose of the organization was stated to be recreation, fellowship and target practice and the encouragement of marksmanship. In the annual report for 1941 the address of the Association was given as 17317 San Juan Drive, which is the home address of SPILLANE. The officers of the Association for 1941 were GAYLORD HUNT of 356 South Ashland, JOSEPH F. MILLER of 1001 Bishop Road and CLAIR R. MESSENGER of 133 Waverly, Highland Park.

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The names of HUNT, MILLER and MESSENGER were checked in the indices of the Detroit Field Division [REDACTED] with negative results.

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

(b7D) [REDACTED]

A check was made of all of the above mentioned members of the Clan na Gael in Detroit [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] with negative results.

(b7C) The indices of the Detroit Field Division were negative on all except [REDACTED] who were mentioned in previous non-specific complaints in the Detroit Field Division upon which no investigations had been made, and a [REDACTED] had been the subject of several previous non-specific complaints in the Detroit Field Division but it was not known whether this person and the [REDACTED] connected with the Clan na Gael were identical.

(b7D) [REDACTED]

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b7D) [REDACTED]

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ENCLOSURES:

TO THE NEW YORK OFFICE

One copy of Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
dated September 29, 1939, at Detroit, Michigan.

One copy of Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]
dated February 24, 1941, at Detroit, Michigan.

Copy of newspaper article quoted from Detroit Times,
January 29, 1940.

One photograph of Subject ROBERT MONTEITH.

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Date:

To: Assistant Chief of Staff
G-2, War Department

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Attention: Colonel L. R. Forney

From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

(b7c) As of possible interest to you, I am enclosing a copy of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated April 5, 1943, at Detroit, Michigan, entitled "IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY".

CC: Director of Naval Intelligence
Navy Department

Enclosure

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- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
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- Mr. Quinn Tamm
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Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to the RUC report of Special Agent [redacted] in the above-captioned case, dated April 5, 1943, at Detroit, Michigan. In view of the apparent lack of Irish Republican Army activity in the Detroit area at the present time, the Bureau perceives no objection to your maintaining this case in an inactive status. However, you are directed to maintain periodic contact with [redacted]

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[redacted] for the purpose of ensuring that the Bureau will be kept advised of any resumption of Irish Republican Army activity in the area covered by your field office.

[redacted]

(b7D)

In order that the Bureau's files may be complete and in order that all pertinent information concerning the Irish Republican Army, which is presently the subject of an active investigation, may be available, it is desired that [redacted] be carefully reinterviewed in detail by a qualified Agent, for the purpose of developing fully and completely all information concerning the pertinent background, development and activities of the Irish Republican Army and its predecessor organizations, the Irish Republican Brotherhood and the Sinn Fein.

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Carson
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Starke
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

In connection with this interview, efforts should be made to determine definitely whether [redacted]

Efforts should be made also to develop [redacted] concerning present and former Irish Republican Army leaders who are now in the United States.

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(b7D) conducted in complete detail and that all pertinent information [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] concerning the above-captioned organization should be carefully
developed and reported to the Bureau under the above caption without undue
delay.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Particular reference is made to the allegations contained in this enclosure concerning the death of Sean Russell. The improbability of these allegations is fully realized; however, it will be appreciated if you will furnish me with all information in your possession or available to you concerning the authenticity of the enclosed document and the material contained therein.

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Director, F.B.I.

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Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
1943
Origin - NEW YORK File #65-370 M.F.

Report made at PHILADELPHIA Date made 4/5/43 Period 3/12, 15-20/43 Report made by [REDACTED] (b7c)
Title 0 Character INTERNAL SECURITY - IRISH
IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

Synopsis of Facts:

[REDACTED] (b7D)
[REDACTED] (b7E)
[REDACTED] reflects NEEMAN residing in Hartford, Conn. and possibly using aliases of CON COLLINS and CON DEVINE. [REDACTED] (b7C)
[REDACTED] (b7D)

[REDACTED] Surveillance at 2010 S. [REDACTED] (b7E)
[REDACTED] St. conducted with negative results. [REDACTED] continued. Separate investigation being conducted on Irish activities in U.S. No activities of NEEMAN developed. Bureau requested to place NEEMAN COLLINS and DEVINE on censorship watch list. Leads set out.

Reference: Bureau file #61-7606.
Teletype to Bureau from Philadelphia dated March 23, 1943.
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] at New York City, dated December 1, 1942, (b7C)

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Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] at New
York City, dated December 28, 1942
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] at New
York City, dated July 16, 1943. (b7c)

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Details:

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For the benefit of the [REDACTED] Field Division the following information is
digested from a review of the file: "COMMUNIST MEMORIAL", alleged leader of the
IRA in this country at the present time, was in 1930, National Secretary of
the organization in this country. The IRA is supposed to have sent MEMORIAL
to Ireland in 1939 to discuss and to straighten out difficulties that had
arisen in the organization in this country. [REDACTED]

(b7D) [REDACTED] while in Ireland, MEMORIAL supposedly
established himself with the sponsors of the Irish sweepstakes and was ap-
pointed sole agent for the Irish sweepstakes in the United States.

Upon his return to this country, the IRA learned that he had engaged in
other activities while in Ireland and he was supposedly expelled from the
IRA organization because of his association in the Irish sweepstakes.

After the death of JOSEPH McCARRETY of Philadelphia, former U.S. leader
of the IRA in 1940, MEMORIAL acquired much of McCARRETY's possessions, among
which were numerous poems and other literature which had been written by
McCARRETY. These, together with other works and writings of McCARRETY,
were published by MEMORIAL and are now on sale throughout the United States.

It was believed that MEMORIAL had a residence in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania,
and that he divided his time between Philadelphia and New York City. It
was reported that while in New York City MEMORIAL spent a lot of time around
the Transport Workers Union and it is said that MEMORIAL is presently at-
tempting to form a new Irish organization, the purpose of which will be
similar to that of the IRA.

It should be noted that MEMORIAL has many followers and sympathizers among
the ranks of the IRA at the present time and who feel that he should be
the leader of the IRA notwithstanding his expulsion because of his connec-
tion with the Irish sweepstakes. [REDACTED]

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From reference report of Special Agent [REDACTED] at New York City, dated December 13, 1942, it should be noted that WEBER was indicted in the Southern District of New York on September 29, 1938, for "smuggling into the United States and distributing in interstate commerce tickets purporting to be lottery tickets, conspiracy." This report also states as follows: "Further, WEBER is a fugitive from justice and if located would be prosecuted on this charge." In this regard a lead is being set forth for New York to check the status of this case to definitely determine if WEBER is a fugitive as difficulty might be encountered if he is apprehended. It should be noted that this case has not been checked since July, 1942.

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(b7C)

It should be noted that copies of the COX COLLINS' report were furnished to the New York Field Division on January 13, 1945, under the title COX COLLINS. This report was dictated by [REDACTED] on the above-mentioned date at the Philadelphia Field Division.

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In connection with the investigation on COX COLLINS, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] called at the Philadelphia Field Office and discussed the activities of the IRA with Assistant Special Agent in Charge, WILLIAM C. HINZE, JR. This informant stated that he had heard that NEENAN, who had been active in the IRA, was to be in Philadelphia on March 15 or 16, 1945. Special Agent HINZE advised informant that an investigation of IRA activities as well as CORNELIUS NEENAN was being conducted by this office at the present time. Informant stated that no further inquiry would be made pending completion of our investigation.

A surveillance was maintained at 2010 South Frazier Street, Philadelphia, from March 15 to March 20 inclusive with negative results. The surveillance revealed that NEENAN did not come to the home [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] A detailed log of this surveillance is being maintained in the Philadelphia Field Division file.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[that McBRIDE is a prominent member of a committee organized in Dublin to prevent the execution of these prisoners.]

On March 23, 1943, the Bureau was requested to place the names of CON COLLINS, CON DEVINE and CORNELIUS NEWMAN on the censorship watch list.

It should be noted that [REDACTED] will be continued and any information received from that source will be reported.

It should be noted that a separate investigation is being conducted in the Philadelphia Field District concerning Irish activities in general and will be reported subsequently.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION

AT NEW YORK CITY

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Will attempt to locate and question NEWMAN by making investigation at the addresses [REDACTED] as follows: [REDACTED]

Will supply the Hartford Field Division with pertinent serials in this case to the end that they will be in a position to conduct a complete investigation in the event it is ascertained that NEWMAN is located within that district.

Will check the court records and ascertain if NEWMAN is at present a fugitive under the indictment in the Southern District of New York and advise the Hartford Field Division. In this connection this request is being made as the records have not been checked since July of 1948 and it is contemplated that some trouble might be encountered in apprehending NEWMAN and it is desirable that his legal status be presently and properly ascertained.

New Haven
THE ~~HARTFORD~~ FIELD DIVISION

AT HARTFORD, CONN.

Will conduct an investigation in the vicinity of Room 601, 983 Main Street, in an attempt to locate JEROME L. NEWMAN.

It is believed from reference report that NEWMAN is a fugitive under indictment for a postal violation in the Southern District of New York. The New York Field Division is being requested to examine the status of this indictment and warrant and will advise the Hartford Field Division of the results of the investigation.

Will, if considered advisable, interview NEWMAN and fully discuss his activities in connection with the Irish Republican Army

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THE PHILADELPHIA FIELD DIVISION

AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

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Will report any information received [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Will report any information received from [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] former Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and presently employed as Special Investigator for the office of Naval Intelligence, Philadelphia, Pa.

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The reference to [REDACTED] appearing on page 6 of this report is Lieutenant [REDACTED] Office of Naval Intelligence, Philadelphia, and [REDACTED] Special Investigator for ONI, Philadelphia.

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New Orleans File #100-9842

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[REDACTED]

The substance of this investigation is that contacts were made with well informed individuals in Irish circles in New Orleans, and none of them knew of any activity on the part of the Irish Republican Army in New Orleans and not one of them was personally acquainted with [REDACTED]

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All of them were cooperative and advised that in the event any information concerning the Irish Republican Army came to their attention, that they would immediately contact the New Orleans Field Division.

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[REDACTED]

Reference report mentions that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(b7D)

Since it is not known to the New Orleans Field Office whether [REDACTED] is identical with the original source of the information in the files [REDACTED] this point should be determined by the New York Field Office.

No information was obtained from any source which would indicate that the Irish Republican Army is active to any extent in New Orleans.

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[REDACTED]

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New Orleans File #100-9842

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THE NEW YORK CITY FIELD DIVISION


(b7D) AT NEW YORK CITY

Will re-contact [REDACTED] and secure any additional information in his files which will enable the New Orleans Field Office to make further contacts in an effort to secure information substantial to this informant's contention that [REDACTED]

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United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.
American Embassy
London, England
March 9, 1943

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Communication #426

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Classified by SP7 BTJ/asp Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

Arthur M. Thurston

Arthur M. Thurston
Inspector

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March 18, 1943

(b1) TO: [REDACTED] (S)

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN
OTHERWISE

Reference is made to our communication to you of
January 13, 1943, concerning the above organization.

An early reply to our request for information
concerning the Irish Republican Army will be appreciated.

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E.A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. McGuire _____
Mr. Mumford _____
Mr. Piper _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Mr. Nease _____
Mr. Gandy _____

CC: Mr. Arthur M. Thurston
The American Embassy
London, England

Mr. D. M. Ladd

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United States Department of Justice

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

April 10, 1943

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DATE 12-23-87 BY SP3 BTJ/ag

Director, FBI

Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY (G)
(Bureau File 61-7606)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated April 5, 1943 at Philadelphia.

In the first paragraph of the details of Agent [redacted] report the New Haven Field Division was inadvertently referred to as the Hartford Field Division and on Page 9 in the undeveloped leads the same error was made. In both instances the words, "New Haven Field Division" should have been contained in the report instead of "Hartford Field Division."

Copies of this letter are being directed to all offices which received copies of this report, so that this correction may be noted.

Very truly yours,

J. F. SEARS

J. F. SEARS
Special Agent in Charge

65-370

cc: New York
New Haven

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK, NEW YORK**

NWK FILE NO. **100-4620 kw**

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| REPORT MADE AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY | DATE WHEN MADE 4/18/43 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 8/19, 26; 9/18/42 | REPORT MADE BY (b7c) |
| TITLE IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY | | SUBJECT OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - Irish | |

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: THOMAS ST. JOHN GAFFNEY has been a resident of Summit, New Jersey about 25 years; generally disliked by townspeople, due to his arrogant manner and former outspoken German sympathies. Prior to U.S. entry in World War #1, GAFFNEY was American Consul General in Munich, Germany, but was recalled by President Wilson because of pro-German conduct. He was associated at that time with SIR ROGER CASEMENT, English nobleman executed by English for treason. GAFFNEY consistently and bitterly anti-English and former active in IRA activities. Formerly a supporter of DeValera government, GAFFNEY now reported inactive politically due to feebleness and senility.

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REFERENCE: (b7c) Report of Special Agent [redacted] 7/15/42 at New York.
Report of Special Agent [redacted] 12/19/42 at New York.

DETAILS: The indices of the Newark Field Division reflect the following information on THOMAS ST. JOHN GAFFNEY, 95 Morris Avenue, Summit, New Jersey, which information was furnished by [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

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stated that GAFFNEY formerly received quite a bit of mail and literature from the Flanders Hall Publishing House located at Scotch Plains, New Jersey. It should be noted that this publishing house was formerly the subject of an investigation and that it has subsequently been closed as an operating business by action of the Federal government.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(b7E)

The book which was referred to above as having been written by GAFFNEY is: "BREAKING THE SILENCE, ENGLAND, IRELAND, WILSON, AND THE WAR", published

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in 1931. Cursory examination of this book indicates it appears to be a rather unsophisticated effort on the part of GAFFNEY to justify his pro-German attitude prior to U.S. entry into WorldWar #1, and a condemnation of former President Wilson in recalling him as Consul General. It is expressive of his hatred for the British, and his sympathies for the German cause.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

NEWARK FIELD DIVISION

*Will conduct appropriate investigation to determine the identities, reputation, and loyalties of the following persons:

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[REDACTED]
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Enclosure - 1 to the Bureau

Photostatic copies of clippings from New York papers pertaining to attempts at organization of the Holohan Steamship Line, 11 Broadway, New York City.

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BOSTON FIELD DIVISION

At Roxbury, Massachusetts

*Will ascertain the activities of the IRA which is said to have its headquarters at the Hibernian Building on Dudley Street.

*Will review files for pertinent information concerning present activities and subversive tendencies of the IRA in the Boston district.

(b7c) *Will ascertain whether or not the individuals named in the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated December 19, 1942 at New York, New York, are active in this connection. In doing so, will bear in mind the fact that the IRA Veterans are reported to be a strong organization in Boston, which is confused regularly with the IRA.

CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION

At Chicago, Illinois

(b1) [REDACTED] (C) *Will review files and conduct appropriate investigation for the purpose of ascertaining the present activities and subversive tendencies, if any, of the IRA in the Chicago area. In this connection the Chicago Field Office should note information set out in instant report concerning the Irish American Alliance.

DETROIT FIELD DIVISION

At Detroit, Michigan

(b1) [REDACTED] (C)

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*Will furnish any information contained in the files regarding pertinent activities and subversive tendencies of the IRA.

NEWARK FIELD DIVISION

(b1) [REDACTED]

At Jersey City, New Jersey

(b1) [REDACTED] (C)

PHILADELPHIA FIELD DIVISION

At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

*Will review the files for information concerning the IRA, its present pertinent activities and subversive tendencies in the Philadelphia area.

(b1) *Will ascertain whether or not CORNELIUS NEWMAN, with aliases, resides [REDACTED], 2010 South Fraser Street. It is to be noted that NEWMAN was also listed as residing at 5704 Haverford Avenue but the former address is believed to be more recent.

(b1) *Will also ascertain the present activities of NEWMAN who is reported to have been an organizer in the IRA in 1930, a fugitive from justice on an indictment issued in the Southern District of New York on December 29, 1938 charging, "smuggling into the United States and distributing for Interstate Commerce tickets purporting to be lottery tickets; Conspiracy". He is said to be presently attempting to organize a new IRA group due to the fact that he is an outcast from the official IRA organization. Additional information on NEWMAN'S activities is set out in instant report. In this connection, will refer to a similar lead set out for the Philadelphia Office in the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated July 15, 1942 at New York, New York in which it was requested that NEWMAN be thoroughly interviewed regarding the activities of the Irish Republican Army, after which he should be turned over to the United States Marshal for appropriate action in connection with the indictment pending against him in the Southern District of New York.

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PITTSBURGH FIELD DIVISION

At Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

(b7c) Will review files and conduct appropriate investigation for the purpose of ascertaining the present activities and subversive tendencies of the I.R. in Pittsburgh area. It will be noted that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], is said to be an active organizer. His identity and reputation should be ascertained.

SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION

At San Francisco, California

(b1) [REDACTED] (c)

WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

At Washington, D.C.

(b7c) Will ascertain at [REDACTED] will also ascertain his duties as such and where he is located at the present time, if it is found that he is employed by them.

If it is ascertained [REDACTED] is not presently employed by [REDACTED] his activities at [REDACTED] should be investigated in the light of information furnished in this report.

(b1) [REDACTED] (c)

(b1) [REDACTED] (c)

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NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION

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At New York, New York

(b1) [REDACTED]
In addition, will continue to develop background on individuals who have been reported in connection with this case to be dangerous to the internal security of the United States.

[REDACTED] (c)

(b1) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (c)

(b1) (c) Will make further efforts to ascertain the present whereabouts and activities of [REDACTED] who was last heard of in connection with [REDACTED] in New York City.

Will report any further information obtained relative to the whereabouts and activities of [REDACTED]

(b1) (b7C) Will recontact [REDACTED] as set out in the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated December 28, 1942 at New York, New York.

(b1) (b7D) Will recontact [REDACTED] and secure any additional information in his files which will enable the New Orleans Field Office to make further contacts in an effort to secure further information substantiating this informant's contention that [REDACTED]

(b7D) Will, in compliance with Bureau letter to New York dated January 9, 1943, obtain further information relative to the background and activities of JAMES BRISLAW, 1494 Lexington Avenue, New York City.

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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(c) Will review New York file #65-8644 which file relates to [REDACTED]. It should be noted that a request for investigation on [REDACTED] was made by the Bureau in a letter to New York dated November 6, 1941.

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BY BRITISH OF U. S. SHIPPING

By GUY RICHARDS

Charging that the English through a stranglehold on the marine insurance business, have gained a final say-so over every pound of freight shipped anywhere out of America's Atlantic ports, Hugh Holohan, partner in an Irish steamship line, yesterday launched a bitter attack against the "cynical hypocrisy" of the British Government.

Holohan's outspoken statement, ending a silence of many months during a stalemate in Irish-American trade, virtually called for an American showdown to what he described as England's "total blockade of Eire—and far more effective than the British blockade of Germany."

Cites United States Angle.

"It is no longer just an Irish question," Holohan stated, in his offices at 11 Broadway. "It is an American question. Do you realize that the United States can't make a shipment out of New York, or any east coast port, to any country at all, unless the British have approved? Is that freedom?"

Yesterday's interview was the first granted by either Hugh or Patrick Holohan, brothers and Irish citizens, since they launched the Holohan Steamship Line last month with the plan of operating a fleet of fast freighters to Eire. The line's decision to appeal to the American people had all the earmarks of foreshadowing a new move by the De Valera Government.

"There are more than 40,000 tons of freight awaiting shipment to Ireland, piled up in east coast ports," Holohan continued. "We have lined up the ships. We have the money. We could start immediately. But lining up the British Government for permission to feed three million starving neutrals—that is the story I would like to talk about."

"The British Ministry of Shipping refuses to give space to cargoes for Ireland. The Head Line steamers used to call at Dublin, but the service has been canceled by the British Ministry."

"Cargoes which were shipped to Liverpool or Belfast have not been released by the British, who say permission to re-export must be obtained and then neglect to give permission."

Re-insuring Assailed.

"Vessels not owned by the British Ministry may go to Ireland if they desire—but that 'may' has a joker in it. Shippers and shipping companies require insurance. This cannot be obtained unless vessels have a British warranty. This warranty, or permit, is only given if owner agrees to let the British have use of the vessel after the voyage."

"If you will investigate the matter," Holohan continued, "you will find that American insurance companies re-insure with Lloyd's of London, and that they are extremely loathe to grant policies on any shipments to anywhere, unless it is fully navicerted and warranted by the British."

A survey in marine insurance circles by a News reporter yesterday appeared to corroborate this.

"After a fruitless attempt to answer all the British requirements," said Holohan, "I am obliged to conclude that England has adopted a total blockade of Ireland as a device to obtain more losses than she has already in the North."

"Among the American policies outlined by President Roosevelt, is 'freedom from want and fear, everywhere in the world.' Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles also added that in these days, nations must be judged by their deeds, not their words. I have a deep respect for the English people. But on the basis Mr. Welles prefers, I have the most profound suspicion of the intentions of the British Government."

A Line Without Ships



Arthur McCarthy points to offices of Holohan Steamship Lines.

Brothers Push Plans For Irish Ship Line

By GUY RICHARDS.

The Brothers Holohan, God bless their souls, were head over heels yesterday in the difficulties of trying to start the first Irish steamship line that ever steamed past Ambrose Lightship, flying the flag of Erin.

Of money, they had plenty. Of office space, they had a whole wing on the third floor of 11 Broadway, with freshly painted signs reading "Holohan Steamship Lines." And there was no sign of a shortage down there of volunteer seamen, mates, skippers, cooks, stewards, chandlers, marine suppliers and brokers ready to help them man or furnish the six freighters and one liner they hope to put to sea.

Sinister Force Here?

What, then, could be the trouble? Could it be that on every move they made, all open and above-board, to get under way, there was another move made by the British, as dark and sinister as a banshee, to head them off?

Rather than answer this direct insinuation about the British, Brother Hugh Holohan, a gentleman to the very depths of his fine blue eyes, offered your correspondent a cigaret.

"It's a fine day," he said. "I would rather not talk about our undertaking, yet."

Likewise, Brother Patrick, recently arrived from Eire, was unavailable for comment. All day seamen and brokers and applicants were waiting for him. But he was



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British Get the Ships!

From other sources it was learned that the brothers Holohan are all set to go, if it weren't for some ship-trouble they're having. That is, they locate ships. They get ready to buy. They cable home about it. And lo and behold, the British, through whose censorship the cables pass, wind up with the ships themselves. You see, the British are looking for ships, too. Quite a coincidence.

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Brothers Rush Plan For Irish Ship Line

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goes well, an historic occasion for New York Harbor will be marked by the sailing of the first of Holo-han's fleet to the land of the Sham-rock. Food and general merchandise will be taken over. Irish whisky and g.m. will be carried back.

Plenty of Capital.

The project calls for weekly and semi-weekly sailings from New York to an Irish west coast port as yet unselected. All crews and registry will be strictly Irish. Abundant capital, it is reported, has been furnished by both Irish and American sources.

Said Brother Hugh yesterday, flanked by applicants for jobs in the new offices:

"Eire is being blockaded as ruth-lessly as if she were a hostile power. The Irish Minister of Com-mere has predicted a shortage of bread within six months, and if his prediction is fulfilled, it will mean privation for many thousands of Irish women and children. We have embarked on a modest at-tempt to avert this situation."

The port's last recorded attempt to launch an Irish shipping line was in 1923. That year, Arthur McCarthy, well-known shipping broker, inaugurated the Irish-American Line, with the purchase of the 18,000-ton liner New York. The house-flag carried the sham-rock for an emblem; visits to the ship were colorfully advertised in that year's St. Patrick's Day Pa-rade; and hundreds of Irish-Americans booked passage for the first sailing.

But financial troubles prevented the ship from leaving the harbor.

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DUBLIN, TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 1941

Ship

Aiken Seeks U. S. Wheat To Avert Crisis in Eire

*Irish Minister, on Way Here,
Will Ask Weapons, Too*

DUBLIN, March 18 (Tuesday)
(UP).—Prime Minister Eamon de Valera revealed today that Frank Aiken, Irish Minister for Co-ordination of Defense, who is en route to the United States, would try to buy tens of thousands of tons of wheat for Eire, as well as weapons to defend the country's neutrality. In a St. Patrick's Day broadcast to America, De Valera said the mission was designed to avert a complete breakdown of bread supplies.

"Our greatest difficulty is that of obtaining sufficient wheat supplies for the country, failure of which would mean that poor people and

particularly children would have go without bread," he said. "We in grave danger of being cut completely from bread supplies."

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Washington, D. C.
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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY Classified by *DP3515/af*
Internal Security - G. Declassify on: OADR
12-25-87

Reference is made to your letter of March 26, 1943
concerning Sean Russell and the Irish Republican Army.

(b1) [REDACTED] In this regard, reference
is made to the writer's letters dated April 1, 1943, Communications
#529 and #530, which contain the data you requested.

(b1) [REDACTED]

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(b1) [REDACTED] It is further noted that specific information regarding
Russell's departure from the United States in 1939 is not available.
In view of the mystery which surrounds this man's activities
from the time he was released from jail in Detroit in 1935 at
the time of the crossing into the United States of the Royal



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Party from Canada and due to the symbolic importance of Russell as the leader of the I.R.A., it is suggested that every possible investigative effort be made to clarify Russell's movements from that time.

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Very truly yours,

Arthur M. Thurston

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Dear Sirs

Reference is made to your letter to the Bureau in the above-captioned case dated April 8, 1941. [REDACTED]

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Mr. A. M. Thurston

no longer in the United States and in view
tion to the contrary.

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been ascertained that Irish Republican Army leader. [REDACTED] bers in
States are convinced that Sean Russell is either dead in Europe.
will recall, innumerable allegations have been received concerning Russell.
departure from the United States and his present whereabouts, none of which
it has been possible to verify.

[REDACTED] S
In connection with the activities and whereabouts of Sean Russell,
numerous inquiries have been made pursuant to the active investigation presently
being conducted by the Bureau of the Irish Republican Army. These inquiries
have failed to indicate the exact method and time of Russell's departure from
the United States.

As you will recall, Russell was released under \$5,000.00 bond at
Detroit, Michigan, in 1939, after having been apprehended by the Immigration
and Naturalization Service. This bond is still in effect and at the present
time a proceeding is pending for the forfeiture thereof. The Bureau has been
advised by the Immigration and Naturalization Service that in connection with
this bond they have made considerable investigation in an effort to determine
when and how Sean Russell left the United States, if he actually did leave,
and that this investigation has been fruitless.

For your confidential information, the Bureau has been advised that a
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The information available to the 70
Bureau indicates that with the exception of McGarrity, perhaps few, if any,
persons actually know of the circumstances surrounding Russell's alleged
departure from the United States.

[REDACTED] the Congressman contacted officials of the 70
Department of Justice and alleged that Sean Russell definitely left the United
States some time ago. Upon questioning by Department of Justice officials,
however, the only substantiation for this allegation which the Congressman could
furnish was the assertion that certain issues of Time magazine contained details
concerning Russell's departure, and that he departed on the last trip from the [REDACTED]

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[United States of the Italian ship the SS Conte di Savoia.] The issues of Time magazine mentioned have been reviewed with negative results, and although certain investigation has been conducted in an effort to determine if possible whether Russell departed on the last trip of the SS Conte di Savoia, it has been impossible to procure any definite information that he did so leave.

Advice has been received from the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice that the pending action to forfeit the \$5,000.00 bond given for Russell's release has been postponed, and that the Criminal Division, prior to taking any additional action thereon, is attempting to determine whether Russell actually left the United States and if so the circumstances surrounding his departure.

In view of your suggestion that every possible investigative effort be made to clarify Russell's movements subsequent to his release from custody in Detroit, Michigan, in 1939, an additional investigation will be conducted in an effort to definitely establish the facts surrounding his departure from the United States. There is a distinct possibility, however, that such inquiries will fail to develop the desired information. In view of Russell's activities it appears probable that he made every effort to leave the United States as surreptitiously as possible and that he made the details of his departure known to as few people as possible. Every effort will be made, however, to definitely determine exactly when and how he departed from the United States.

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(S)
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
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DATE 11-28-81 BY 208253/ag

SAC, New York

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY G and X

Dear Sir:

For your information and assistance in connection with the above investigation, I am enclosing two copies each of memoranda dated March 24 and April 5, 1943, received by the Bureau from the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice concerning Sean Russell.

As you will note the memorandum of April 5, 1943, contains information that Congressman McGrannery of Pennsylvania stated that his information with regard to the alleged departure of Sean Russell was derived from articles appearing in Time magazine in June and July of 1940, and from newspaper articles, and that from the same sources he formed his belief that Russell left on the last sailing of the SS Conti di Savoie (Conte di Savoia).

All copies of Time magazine for the months of June and July, 1940, have been examined at the Bureau and do not contain any pertinent information concerning Russell's alleged departure.

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It is desired that you immediately check the manifest list for the last sailing of the SS Conti di Savoie (Conte di Savoia) for Europe for the purpose of determining whether or not Sean Russell's name appears thereon. Any names similar to the name of Sean Russell should also be noted. It is desired that this matter be given the most expeditious attention and I will expect to receive a communication incorporating the results of this inquiry not later than fifteen days after the receipt of this letter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Honorable Adolf A. Berle, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
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Washington, D. C.

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: STEPHEN HAYES,
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ROGER McHUGH,
MAIRE COMERFORD,
LAWRENCE DE LACEY,
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SAC, New York

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - C and X

Dear Sir:

For your information and assistance in connection with
the above investigation.

(b1) [REDACTED]

It is desired that this material be carefully reviewed
and the pertinent portions thereof incorporated in a subsequent
pending investigative report without, of course, revealing the
source of the information in the body of the report.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. A. M. Thurston
Legal Attache
The American Embassy
London, England

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter to the Bureau dated April
10, 1943, captioned "Stephen Ryan, et al., I.R.A. activities".

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY X and C

Dear Sir:

For your information and assistance with regard to the Irish Republican Army and related Irish activities, I am enclosing copies of a memorandum dated March 19, 1943, captioned "Glas-na-Gael, Irish Republican Army in the United States," and received by the Bureau from the Special War Policies Unit of the Department of Justice.

For the information of those offices not previously having received communications in this case, an active investigation of the Irish Republican Army is presently being conducted in which the New York Office is the office of origin. Pertinent portions of the enclosed memorandum should be incorporated by the New York office in a subsequent investigative report in the above-captioned case.

It is noted that the enclosed memorandum contains information concerning various organizations and individuals other than the Irish Republican Army, and it is desired that this information be carefully correlated with any other pending investigation and also, if advisable, made the basis of any new investigation which may appear to be necessary.

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Communication #530

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Liaison Section (5)

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - I and G

Dear Sir:

For your further information and assistance in connection
with the above case, I am enclosing photostatic copies of certain
documents received by the Bureau from Inspector A. M. Thurston.

(b1) [REDACTED]
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It is desired that these documents be carefully reviewed
and the pertinent portions thereof incorporated in a subsequent
pending report.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Tolson _____
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Mr. A. K. Thurston
Legal Attache
The American Embassy
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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and C

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter to the Bureau in the
above-captioned case, dated April 10, 1943.

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Pursuant to the request contained in your reference
letter, I am enclosing a photostatic copy of these documents.

Very truly yours,

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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - G and X

Dear Sir:

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Pertinent portions of this material should, of course,
be incorporated in a subsequent investigative report in the above
case.

Very truly yours,

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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and G

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to previous communications to your office concerning the Irish Republican Army and the activities of Sean Russell, its former Chief of Staff.

As you will recall, Sean Russell was apprehended by Immigration and Naturalization Service authorities in Detroit, Michigan, in 1939, at the time of the visit of the King and Queen of England to Windsor, Ontario, adjacent to Detroit, and was subsequently released under \$5,000.00 bond. Although numerous allegations have been received concerning Russell's subsequent departure from the United States and his present whereabouts, including various rumors as to his death, no definite information has been received concerning the time and place of his departure from the United States.

It has now become imperative to determine, if possible, exactly how and when Sean Russell departed from the United States. Consequently, it is desired that intensive efforts be made by you to determine this information. Considerable material which may suggest a number of investigative leads is already in the possession of your office. In conducting this investigation you are directed to utilize the services of all appropriate confidential in-

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It is my desire that this matter receive the most expeditious and careful attention and I will expect to receive a report herein not later than thirty days after the receipt of this letter.

Very truly yours,

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Dear Sir:

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Honorable Adolf A. Berle, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Berle:

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Sincerely yours,

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Major General George V. Strong
Assistant Chief of Staff
G-2, War Department
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Dear General Strong:

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Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

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With regard to your request for the results of the Bureau's investigation of the I.R.A., a memorandum is presently being prepared and copies thereof will be transmitted to you as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

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Communication #688

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: HUGH McATEER,
I. R. A. ACTIVITIES,
INTERNAL SECURITY - G.

For your general information, there are being trans-
mitted herewith clippings from the London press of April 25
and April 26, 1943 concerning a public appearance made at a
Belfast, Ireland theater on Saturday night, April 24, 1943, by
Hugh McAteer, I.R.A. chief of staff, and the subsequent seizure
of firearms by the Belfast police in their search for McAteer
and his followers.

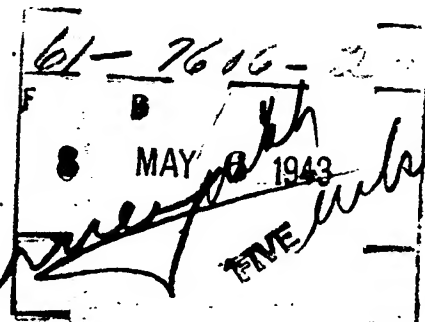
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IRA CHIEF SPEAKS AT GUN POINT TO 600 IN CINEMA

WHILE SIX HUNDRED PEOPLE WERE WATCHING A FILM AT THE BROADWAY PICTURE HOUSE, BELFAST, LAST NIGHT A NOTICE FLASHED ON THE SCREEN SAID THAT THE I.R.A. HAD SEIZED THE CINEMA.

In one of the most sensational episodes in the troubled story of the Falls-road district of the city, seven men entered the operating box and forced the operator, James Duffy, to exhibit a slide they had brought with them.

It said that the I.R.A. intended to hold a service in memory of those killed during the Easter Week rising in 1916. Then the lights went up and an even greater surprise awaited the audience. While guards at the exits prevented people from leaving, on to the stage calmly walked Hugh McAteer, I.R.A. Chief of Staff, an escaped prisoner with a price of £3,000 on his head.

And he made a speech while I.R.A. gunmen stood round the hall, their revolvers trained on the audience. "Sit still and listen," they said. No one moved. McAteer began to speak. He said: "Partition is responsible for the presence on Irish soil of a large number of American troops.

WE WARN U.S.A.

All shades of Nationalist opinion have joined in protest against this invasion of our rights. "We warn the Government of the United States of America that the resumption of hostilities between the Irish Republic and Great Britain will almost inevitably mean that American troops will also become involved, and that America, the champion of Democracy and the co-sponsor of the Atlantic Charter, will find herself engaged with Britain in waging a war of imperial aggression and conquest against the Irish people."

MINUTE'S SILENCE

He then called for one minute's silence and afterwards, at the command "Dismiss," the I.R.A. men left the cinema.

McAteer was driven away by car from a back stage door.

Police were called, and at once threw a two-miles-wide cordon round the cinema. Then began one of the most extensive searches ever in Belfast has ever known.

Police officers entered every house in the Falls-road area in their search for McAteer, who escaped from Belfast Jail in January.

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SUNDAY DISPATCH
London, England
April 25, 1943

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NEWS CHRONICLE, Monday, April 26, 1943

Cinema Gunmen's Arms Found by Police in Belfast Sunday Raid

From Our Own Correspondent

BELFAST, Sunday.

BELFAST police, their Easter leave cancelled, were searching the district today for Hugh McAteer, I.R.A. chief of staff, following his daring public appearance in a Belfast cinema on Saturday night, when gunmen commandeered the building and McAteer delivered a speech.

The police have seized two large arms dumps, one containing weapons believed to have been used in the cinema episode.

A programme of Holy Week films at the Broadway Cinema, in the Nationalist area of Belfast, was about to end on Saturday when a slide was flashed on the screen.

This stated that Hugh McAteer, chief of staff of the I.R.A., and James Steele, his commandant-general (who, with two others, escaped from Belfast Gaol in January, and for whose capture there is a reward of £3,000), would speak.

I.R.A. men stood in gangways, exits were watched, and the girl in the pay-box was under guard.

When the lights went up McAteer and Steele appeared on the stage. Steele read a "proclamation" protesting against the partition of Ireland.

ARMS HAUL

Armoured cars, which were patrolling the streets a few hundred yards from the cinema at the time, were again on ceaseless patrol today.

Scores of houses were searched, and tramcars stopped and passengers questioned. Early today police surrounded a house in the Lisburn Road district and arrested two men caught escaping from the back. They were said to have I.R.A. documents in their possession.

The biggest haul was made in the Falls Road area, where 13 loaded revolvers, a loaded tommy-gun, 21 Mills grenades, two home-made bombs and 250 rounds of ammunition were found in a house.

PLANS UPSET

Arrests made since Friday night now total nearly 60.

The first round-up of suspects, in which 40 arrests were made, was designed to stop any attempt to celebrate the Easter rebellion, commemoration of which is illegal in Northern Ireland.

"The cinema affair was a good place of work," commented a high police official, "but there were other plans which we succeeded in upsetting."

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EXPLOSIVES SEIZED IN
ARMoured CAR RAIDS

Swoops On IRA Dumps Foil Plot

"Daily Herald" Correspondent
BELFAST, Sunday.

TONIGHT Belfast police believe they have foiled an I.R.A. plot to stir up trouble in Ulster during Easter.

Travelling in armoured and cage cars, fully armed officers have been swooping for the past four days on arms dumps in various parts of Belfast and the surrounding district.

This afternoon they announced that they had seized two "important" dumps hidden in private houses here.

They consisted of Thompson machine-guns, revolvers, automatic pistols, Mills grenades, home-made canister bombs, rifles, rifle parts, and hundreds of rounds of ammunition.

In one, raided this afternoon, there were also materials for making explosives.

A number of persons have been detained in connection with the discovery of these dumps," said a police statement to-night.

60 Detained

Sixty other people were detained in earlier raids.

The I.R.A. has planted arms dumps here and in other parts of Northern Ireland ready for use when the signal is given by Hugh McAteer, its chief of staff.

Equipped with rifles, sten guns and revolvers, Belfast police officers have been out to-day hunting McAteer.

He made his first appearance since escaping from Belfast Jail in January, when he and 20 of his men seized the Broadway Cinema in Falls-road to hold an Easter rebellion commemoration on Saturday night.

He got away after the ceremony, and to-night the police have extended their search for him to dance and concert halls.

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Belfast arms dump seized

BELFAST police, in armoured cars, swooped yesterday on houses, shops, and farms in a hunt for 28-year-old I.R.A. Chief of Staff Hugh McAteer.

With 40 armed men, McAteer seized a cinema in the Falls-road area—a Nationalist stronghold—on Saturday night, and there he addressed the audience.

The police found no trace of him yesterday, but in a house they found an arms dump, including a Thompson machine gun. A number of young men were detained.

McAteer, with his commandant, 24-year-old plasterer James Steele, and two other

men, escaped from Belfast Jail in January.

When he seized the cinema, armed men entered the operating box and made the operator flash on the screen a slide saying that McAteer would speak.

Those of the audience of about 1,000 who prepared to leave were told to remain in their seats. People who

entered were shown to seats by girl attendants each with an armed man beside her.

McAteer spoke for five minutes. Then, after asking the audience to stand in memory of the Easter rebellion of 1916, he vanished.



McATEER
Still on the run.

DAILY EXPRESS
London, England
April 26, 1943

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Seize Weapons In Hunt For Outlawed IRA Chief

BELFAST, Apr. 25—The Royal Ulster Constabulary seized a cache of arms and ammunition as they continued the house-to-house search here for Hugh McAteer, chief of staff of the outlawed Irish Republican Army.

Two Thompson sub-machine-guns, two rifles, 13 revolvers, three automatic pistols and a quantity of explosives were found in two houses in the Falls Road area, notoriously Nationalist and out of bounds to American and British troops.

Members of the IRA seized a theater last night and held the audience at gunpoint while McAteer read a proclamation warning the United States against the continued presence of American troops in Northern Ireland. The gesture was made on the eve of the anniversary of the Easter uprising of 1916.

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Director, F.B.I.

Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY;
INTERNAL SECURITY - IRISH.

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| Mr. Egan..... |
| Mr. Gurnea..... |
| Mr. McGuire..... |
| Mr. Quinn Tamm..... |
| Mr. Nease..... |
| Miss Gandy..... |
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from the New York Field Division to the Bureau dated April 5, 1943, with which were transmitted the reports of [REDACTED]

Transmitted herewith are additional reports of [REDACTED]

and were not included in the previous letter due to the fact that they were not at that time in possession of the New York Field Division.

As before, copies of these reports are being maintained in the New York Field Division for perusal and pertinent portions therefrom are being incorporated in the above captioned investigation.

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Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy
E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge

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VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY *SP8 BTJ/98*
ON *12-28-87*

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: I.R.A. ACTIVITIES,
INTERNAL SECURITY - G.

There is being attached hereto for your general information a clipping from the London Daily Herald of April 27, 1943 entitled "I.R.A. MEN CAPTURED."

Very truly yours,

A. M. Thurston
Arthur M. Thurston
Legal Attaché



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I.R.A. MEN CAPTURED

Belfast police have captured two important members of the I.R.A. One is described as Adjutant-General in 1941. The other escaped from Londonderry Jail last month.

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DIRECTOR



Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

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Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: I.R.A. ACTIVITIES

As of possible interest to you, there is being transmitted
herewith a clipping from the London Daily Express of April 19,
1943, entitled "BOMBED BY I.R.A."

Very truly yours,

Arthur M. Thurston
Arthur M. Thurston
Legal Attaché

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Bombed by I.R.A.

An I.R.A. oil bomb is believed to have caused an explosion that wrecked a British Customs post at Malenan on the Eire border.

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Assistant Chief of Staff
G-2
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Colonel L. R. Forney

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my previous communications to you
concerning the Irish Republican Army.

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[REDACTED]

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- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E.A. Tamm _____
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Very truly yours,

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Director of Naval Intelligence
Navy Department
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my previous communications to you
concerning the Irish Republican Army

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Very truly yours,

John
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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May 10, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY;
INTERNAL SECURITY X, G.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated May 5, 1943 in which investigation is requested relative to the departure of SEAN RUSSELL from the United States.

Investigation conducted by the New York Field Division in this matter was set out in a letter to the Director under date of May 4, 1943 and entitled: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY; INTERNAL SECURITY - IRISH, (Bureau file 61-7606).

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy

E. E. CONROY *ec*
Special Agent in Charge.

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Director, FBI

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY;
INTERNAL SECURITY - IRISH.
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Dear Sir:

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(b7c) In reference to Bureau letter dated April 19, 1943, in the
above captioned, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent
[REDACTED] of the New York Field Division.

[REDACTED]

(b7c) [REDACTED]

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A check was made of the Ellis Island records which reflected that the Conte di Savoia left New York destined for Genoa, Italy, on March 30th, April 27th, and May 25, 1940. The May 25th voyage was the last voyage made by the Conte di Savoia from the Port of New York.

A check of the Passenger Manifest, Volume #3105, which contained the passenger list for the voyage of March 30th, failed to reveal the name of SEAN RUSSELL, or any other name similar thereto. The personal background of passengers listed therein was not similar to that of SEAN RUSSELL.

Crew Manifest, Volume 13894, containing the crew list of the March 30th voyage, reflected that no additional seamen were signed on at the Port of New York.

Passenger Manifest, Volume 3112, which contained the passenger list for the April 27th voyage was checked, and failed to reflect the name of SEAN RUSSELL, or any other name similar thereto.

A check was also made of the Crew Manifest, Volume 13911, which contained the crew list for the voyage of April 27th, and reflected that three seamen were signed on at the Port of New York, but the names and background of these three seamen were not similar to that of RUSSELL.

A check was made of the Passenger Manifest, Volume 3117, which contained the passenger list for the voyage of May 25, 1940, which reflected that the name of SEAN RUSSELL was not included, or any other name similar thereto.

A check was made of the Crew Manifest, Volume 13927, containing the crew list for the voyage of May 25th, and reflected that one Italian seaman had been signed on in the Port of New York.

In addition to the above check, a check was made of the crew list changes on freighters and passenger ships of various nationalities which left the Port of New York destined for the ports of Genoa, Lisbon or Gibraltar, during the months of April and May, 1940, regarding SEAN RUSSELL with negative results. It should be noted, however, that this check did not cover a ship which coming to the United States, would touch first at a port other than New

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York, subsequently going to New York, and departing from there for Europe, inasmuch as the law would require that the crew changes be listed at the first port of call.

(b7C) The Ellis Island file 99584/833 reflected previously known information to the effect that RUSSELL arrived in the United States on April 15, 1939 aboard the SS WASHINGTON, and that he was destined to see his aunt, [REDACTED]. There also appeared a communication under date of July 15, 1941, to the effect that RUSSELL was coming to the United States as a stableman aboard a ship bearing Irish race horses. No further information relative to this communication appeared in the file.

(b7C)
(b7D) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

A perusal was made of the material pertaining to SEAN RUSSELL which is contained in the morgue of the New York Sun. This material confirmed already known information relative to RUSSELL'S background and activities, but failed to provide anything pertinent to RUSSELL'S departure.

Various articles written in the New York papers in the fall of 1939, referred to the fact that RUSSELL'S whereabouts at that time was unknown.

An article appearing in the New York Times under date of August 13, 1939, reflected that RUSSELL was interviewed by members of the press in Chicago on August 12th, which would indicate that he was still in this country at that time.

A check was made of the indices of Time Magazine, which listed articles concerning RUSSELL in the following issues: August 7, 1939; June 10, 1940; and February 10, 1941.

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A perusal was made of these issues which reflected that Time had reported various information relative to RUSSELL'S political activities, but which failed to reflect any specific data pertinent to RUSSELL'S departure. Various rumors concerning his whereabouts were reported, but none of them confirmed.

A perusal was made of Volume I, No. 2 issue of "Booktab", which was published in July of 1942, and which is entitled, "Is Ireland Next?". The perusal yielded no information in addition to that already furnished on pages three and four of the Immigration and Naturalization Service memorandum of February 2, 1943.

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(b1) [REDACTED] (C)

The above information represents a summary of information obtained relative to SEAN RUSSELL by the New York Field Division. Detailed notes pertaining to the various sailings listed in this letter, and also notes pertaining to the perusals of various periodicals as above mentioned, are being maintained in the files of the New York Field Division.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy

E. E. CONROY,
Special Agent in Charge.

(b7c)

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SAC, New York

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PERSONAL ATTENTION
AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and G

Dear Sirs:

(b7c)
(b7D) Reference is made to your letter to the Bureau dated May 4, 1943, incorporating the results of an interview conducted by Special Agent [redacted] with [redacted]

From the information contained in your reference letter it is obvious that "Con" Neenan's present whereabouts are known to your office. Your attention is directed to the fact that the files of your office and particularly prior communications concerning the Irish Republican Army, reflect that Cornelius "Con" Neenan on December 29, 1938, was indicted in the Southern District of New York for smuggling into the United States and distributing in interstate commerce lottery tickets for the Irish Sweepstakes. It appears that your files also reflect that Neenan was indicted on this charge as a result of certain investigation conducted by the Post Office Department and apparently is presently a fugitive from justice. Obviously this information concerning Neenan's present whereabouts must be furnished by you to the appropriate Post Office officials in New York City without delay.

In view of the fact that your reference letter does not contain definite information concerning Neenan's exact whereabouts, no effort is being made to notify the Post Office Department at the Seat of Government. At the time the Post Office officials are notified of Neenan's whereabouts, you are directed to specifically request that the Bureau, under no circumstances, be revealed as the source of their information concerning Neenan's whereabouts or any indication given that the Bureau was instrumental in his location and possible apprehension.

(b7c)
(b7D) It is desired that you advise the Bureau without undue delay of Neenan's exact whereabouts and of the action taken by you in this matter. In view of the indications that [redacted]

it is desired that the disposition of this case be followed and the Bureau appropriately advised of the action taken in this case by the Post Office Department.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Honorable Adolf A. Berle, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Berle:

Reference is made to my previous communications to you
concerning the Irish Republican Army.

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Sincerely yours,

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Dear Sir:

RE: ~~IRISH~~ IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and G

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated May 10, 1943 (Bureau file number 61-7606).

(b7c) [REDACTED] contact was made with Assistant United States Attorney RICHARD J. BURKE, who advised that NEENAN, had with his attorney, CHARLES T. RICE, appeared before him. BURKE stated that NEENAN was arraigned and pled "not guilty" to the charges against him contained in the indictment. BURKE advised that NEENAN was paroled to the custody of his attorney and that he is no longer a fugitive from justice. He further advised that the indictment against NEENAN would be "not-prossed" for lack of evidence.

(b7c) [REDACTED]
Information contained in a teletype from the Philadelphia Field Division on May 1, 1943 reflected that NEENAN was coming to Philadelphia the following week for a conference with the Post Office Department at the request of that department

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In view of the above information, no contact was made with the Post Office Department by the New York Field Division. INDEXED

(b7c) [REDACTED] The full results [REDACTED] are incorporated in the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] in the case entitled, IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY; INTERNAL SECURITY - IRISH. Dictation on this report has just been completed and the report should reach the Bureau in the near future.

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IRISH ACTIVITIES IN THE UNITED STATES

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INTERNAL SECURITY (M)

SUMMARY OF FACTS:

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No evidence of an active
I. R. A. organization.

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Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated
October 4, 1939 at New York City.

(b7D)

The following [REDACTED]

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(b7D) [REDACTED]

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In October, 1940, JOHN J. REILLY published a pamphlet entitled "Petition in Ireland". This pamphlet merely outlines the preliminary fight for the freedom of Ireland and lays before interested parties a succinct history of the preliminary battle for the freedom of Ireland. This book does not in any way appear to be subversive but may be considered as propaganda on behalf of the present Irish Government. There is no question that JOHN J. REILLY has represented DeVALERA and his government in the United States on various occasions. However, there is no proof that he is not interested in the Irish Republican Army. Although all indications are to the effect that JOHN J. REILLY is a DeVALERA man and is in favor of the peaceful settlement of the Irish question, there are some individuals who believe that REILLY may have turned against DeVALERA and is now in favor of a forceful settlement of this issue. [REDACTED]

(b7D) [REDACTED]

The following is an excerpt of an article appearing in the AMERICAN FREE PRESS, dated March 15, 1940:

"JOHN REILLY, of Philadelphia, is President of the AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE RECOGNITION OF THE IRISH REPUBLIC, which claims 20,000 members in the United States, formerly pro-DeVALERA, now opposed to him. The organization is pro-I. R. A., opposed to England's stand in the war and position regarding Ireland."

TYRONE MEN'S SOCIETY

The TYRONE MEN'S SOCIETY is alleged to be a beneficial, social, and patriotic organization. This group is a member of the Federation and holds its meetings at the IRISH AMERICAN CLUB, 1428 North Broad Street, Philadelphia. It is to be pointed out that in the April 17, 1943 issue of the IRISH WORLD, an announcement appears that this club was planning a ball Easter Monday night in honor of the Irish patriots who died at the time of the Easter Rebellion. The announcement further states that JOSEPH McGARRITY was a native of Tyrone, but there is no mention of whether or not McGARRITY was a member of this organization.

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THE IRISH AMERICAN CLUB

(b7D) THE IRISH AMERICAN CLUB, with headquarters at 1428 North Broad Street, Philadelphia, is alleged to be the headquarters of the so-called I. R. A. [REDACTED]

The IRISH AMERICAN CLUB is composed of eleven Irish clubs or societies, namely:

These are names similar to the names of I. R. A. Camps in NYC etc with

The Noisin Dhu Club
The Vinegar Hill Club
The John O'Mahoney Club
The William Orr Club
The Wapper Tandy Club
The Major John McBride Club
The Thomas Davis Club
The Carnell Club
The Stars Literary Club
The Terrence McSweeney Club
The St. Endas Literary Club.

It is to be noted that some of these clubs take the names of individuals, which is similar to the practice of the I. R. A. to name their various camps after Irish patriots. There is no proof at the present time that the I. R. A. holds any meetings at this locality.

In 1940, MICHAEL MCGINN, [REDACTED] Philadelphia, was the President of said organization. [REDACTED]

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A review of the indices revealed that [REDACTED]

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The present officers of the IRISH AMERICAN CLUB are: WILLIAM PARKHILL, 2401 North 20th Street, President; ANTHONY DILLON, 5426 Catherine Street, Manager; THOMAS McGUIRE, 1428 North Broad Street, Treasurer; JOHN McCARNEY, Treasurer; EMMETT McGINN, 2223 West 34th Street, is an officer [REDACTED] The Steward and Bartender of the organization is DANIEL J. McLEARY.

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CLAN NA GAEL

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THE I. R. A. VETERANS

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This group is composed of individuals who were members of the Irish Republican Army during the republic of 1921. [REDACTED]

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For the information of the individuals concerned, it is pointed out that JOSEPH McGARRITY had been and was at the time of his death very active in Irish affairs, both in the United States and in Ireland. McGARRITY was a very close personal friend of EAMON DEVALERA, and in 1919 gave assistance to DeVALERA who had fled Ireland. In 1921, McGARRITY was involved in the shipment of 600 machine guns to New York. These guns were seized in Hoboken, New Jersey, aboard the S. S. Eastude by Custom officials in June, 1921. The case was never tried in the New Jersey District and on June 17, 1925 a libel against the ship was dismissed and the restoration of the seized guns authorized by the Court. 479 of these guns were immediately returned to the rightful owner, FRANK WILLIAMS, through his representative, JOSEPH McGARRITY, then residing at 8 East 41st Street, New York City. The other guns were later accounted for. As late as October 13, 1934, McGARRITY declined to furnish any further information relative to the guns in question.

McGARRITY became opposed to DeVALERA and his policies and continued to follow a program of violence. On December 30, 1938, McGARRITY was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury in New York City for the illegal use of the mails in furtherance of the Irish Hospital Sweepstakes. At that time, McGARRITY was living in Philadelphia. At the time of the removal hearing the Postal Inspector was unable to identify him and McGARRITY was never brought to trial.

On August 5, 1940, JOSEPH McGARRITY died at his home, 4909 Wynnefield Avenue, Philadelphia. Surviving are his wife, [REDACTED] daughters, [REDACTED]

(b7c) [REDACTED] and one brother, [REDACTED] One son, [REDACTED] also survived. McGARRITY'S estate consisted of some household furnishings and papers that were bequeathed to the CLAN NA GAEL with the suggestion that Dr. PATRICK McCARTAN, of Dublin, Ireland, be a member of the Club Committee to hold the papers.

The following are the assets filed in the inventory of the estate on January 21, 1941:

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Cash - on deposit at the Real Estate Trust Company | - \$2,141.34 |
| Deposit - North Philadelphia Savings and Loan Association with interest to August 5, 1940 | - \$20,068.05 |
| Amount due decedent as trustee under will of FRANK J. COHLIN | - \$648.02 |
| Amount due decedent from Reverend PETER J. McGARRITY | - \$10,275.50 |
| Total | - \$33,256.61. |

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

(b7c) [REDACTED]

This will verify the letter from the Philadelphia Field Office to the Washington Field Office, dated April 19, 1943.

THE PHILADELPHIA FIELD DIVISION

AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Will continue the investigation of the Irish Activities stressing, in particular, the IRISH AMERICAN CLUB, the CLAN NA GAEL, and the I. R. A. VETERANS, with a view to determining whether or not said organizations are in any way subversive.

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Title

TRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

44969

Character of Case

INTERNAL SECURITY-I

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

REFERENCES:

Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated December 19, 1942; report of Special Agent [redacted] dated April 16, 1943 at New York.

DETAILS:

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

Special Agent **HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED**

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report never substantiated. Letter of January 6, 1942 reported that three I.R.A. members were active in Springfield, Mass. collecting money to buy high explosives to lick England, Scotland, and parts of Ireland. Meeting held Easter Week, 1941, by Clan-na-Gael and I.R.A. Clubs of Boston which group is said to be identical with Subject of instant case.

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A review of the file in the I.R.A. in Boston Office reflects in a memorandum in file dated May 29, 1940 that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Investigation of this report was made by Special Agent [REDACTED]
This investigation disclosed that en [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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A letter in the file dated January 8, 1942, written to this Bureau by [redacted] set forth the following information:

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Section 11

Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York, New York

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100-7828
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May 17, 1943

Director, FBI

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(b7D) RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and G
(REFER: 51S)

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated February 4, 1943. Reference is also made to a letter from New York to the Bureau under date of January 4, 1943 (Bureau file number 61-7606).

(b1) (C)
This comparison was made as a result of the allegations made by [redacted] to the effect that [redacted]

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The following similarities and possible identities were noted: [redacted]



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SAC, New York

PERSONAL ATTENTION

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - R and C

Dear Sirs:

Reference is made to your letter to the Bureau in the above-captioned
case, dated May 17, 1943,

(b1) [REDACTED]

(b1) [REDACTED]

(b1) [REDACTED]

(b1) You are directed to immediately procure appropriate personal identifica-
tion and background data, including Selective Service information, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] It is desired that this information be procured without
delay and made available to the Bureau for comparison purposes.

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Carson _____
- Mr. Coffey _____
- Mr. Hendon _____
- Mr. Holloman _____
- Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
- Mr. Nease _____

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Very truly yours,

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.
American Embassy
London, England
April 24, 1943

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Communication #687

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY,
RE: INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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Very truly yours,

A. M. Thurston
Arthur M. Thurston
Legal Attaché

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SAC, New York City

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and G

Dear Sir:

For your information and assistance in connection with the above investigation and in evaluating the activities of the Irish Republican Army, I am enclosing copies of certain material made available to the Bureau by its representative presently stationed in London, England.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
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Enclosure 1
 Assistant Secretary of State
 Department of State
 Washington, D. C.

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 [Signature]

My dear Mr. [Name]

Reference is made to the memorandum from Mr. [Name] to Mr. Ralph [Name] of this Bureau, your reference FC 6418.01/100, enclosing a copy of resolutions adopted at the Twenty-Seventh Annual Commemoration of the Martyrs of Easter Week, held at the Hyattsville, New York City, on Easter Sunday, April 25, 1943, under the auspices of the Glasheen Gael and Irish Republican Army clubs.

This information has been reviewed with interest and pursuant to the request contained in your reference memorandum, efforts are being made to ascertain the authors of these resolutions. The identity of these authors will be furnished to you as soon as developed.

Any additional information which you may receive concerning the activities of the Irish Republican Army will of course be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Carson _____
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- Mr. McGuire _____
- Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
- Mr. Nease _____
- Miss Gandy _____

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Enclosed are copies of resolutions adopted at the Twenty-Ninth Annual Commemoration of the Martyr of Boston Week, held at the Egyptian Temple, New York City, on Boston Sunday, April 25, 1943, under the auspices of the Clan na Gael and Irish Republican Army clubs.

Copies of these resolutions were made available to the Bureau by the State Department and that Department has expressed an interest in the authors of these resolutions. Consequently, it is desired that you determine through appropriate investigation who wrote the resolutions in question and advise the Bureau thereof without undue delay.

It is also desired that full information be developed concerning the meeting at which these resolutions were adopted, and that this information be appropriately reported in a subsequent pending report from your office.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL
WENDT BERGE

RE: SEAN RUSSELL;
IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

Reference is made to your previous memoranda concerning the present whereabouts of Sean Russell, former Chief of Staff of the Irish Republican Army. Particular reference is made to the information made available to this Bureau, received by you from Congressman James P. McGranery of Pennsylvania, to the effect that certain information concerning Sean Russell's departure from the United States appeared in Time magazine in 1940, and that Russell departed from the United States on the last trip of the Italian ship, the SS Conte di Savoia.

A complete check has been made of the indices of Time magazine and of the issues during the months mentioned by Congressman McGranery without locating any material concerning Russell's departure. From the complete review made of Time magazine it has been determined that numerous articles have appeared in this publication concerning Sean Russell. However, these articles contain no specific information concerning his time or method of departure and add nothing to the information already made available to you. A check has also been made of various newspapers for the years 1939 and 1940, without results.

With regard to the allegation that [REDACTED] information has been received by this Bureau from [REDACTED]

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Mr. McGuire
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
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Memorandum for Assistant Attorney General
Wendell Briggs

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In an effort to develop additional information concerning this matter the records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service at Ellis Island, New York, were checked and reflected that the Conte di Savoia left New York destined for Genoa, Italy, on March 30, April 27, and the last time on May 25, 1940. A check of the manifest for these three voyages failed to reflect the name of Sean Russell or any name similar thereto, or any record of any individual whose personal background appeared sufficiently similar to that of Russell to indicate that it might be Russell. The crew manifests for these voyages were also checked without result. For the three voyages only four seamen were signed on at the Port of New York, and the descriptions and backgrounds of none of these seamen appeared similar to the description and background of Sean Russell. In addition, a check was made of the manifests of various freighters and passenger ships leaving the Port of New York destined for the ports of Genoa, Lisbon and Gibraltar during the months of April and May, 1940, with negative results.

The files of Immigration and Naturalization Service at Ellis Island reflect no pertinent information concerning Russell's departure or present whereabouts.

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Memorandum for Assistant Attorney General
Wendell Berge

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Confidential informants who, in the past, have furnished valuable information concerning the Irish Republican Army were contacted in regard to Russell's alleged departure, with negative results.

It will be appreciated if you will make available to me any additional information concerning this matter which you may procure from Congressman McGranery or any other source.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated April 16, 1943 at New York, New York. (b7C)

Special Agent in Charge

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For convenience in reference, the following report will be set out approximately the same way and under the same headings as was the reference report. As in previous reports [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] In addition to information from this source, other sources of information are set out below and will be referred to throughout this report by respective symbols or names.

Under date of March 18, 1943 the Bureau transmitted to the New York Field Division a confidential report from [REDACTED]. This report was divided into four parts and deals largely with Irish organizations in the United States, the Irish press in the United States and Irish American individuals of pro-Irish and anti-British tendencies. [REDACTED]

Data pertinent to this investigation which has not been incorporated in previous reports will be set out under the various sub-headings in instant report. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (9) in an interview, furnished information relative to Irish activities in New York and vicinity. The majority of this information was in agreement with and corroboration of previously reported data. Information obtained through [REDACTED] will be set out herein.

Contact was made with [REDACTED] who is referred to as [REDACTED] in the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated [REDACTED]

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PRESENT IRA ACTIVITIES, DISTRICT #1

On Easter Sunday evening, April 25, 1943, the annual IRA Easter Week commemoration was held in memory of those who died in the Easter rebellion in Ireland. The writer attended this meeting at the Pythian Temple, 135 West 70th Street, New York City, in an undercover capacity and the following is set out, being information garnered therefrom:

The meeting scheduled to commence at 8 p.m. didn't actually begin until 9:15. The program consisted of musical contributions by M.E. BEELAN, vocalist, FRANCIS FLANNAGAN, violinist, JOSEPHINE PATRIC SMITH, harpist and SEAMUS O'DOHERTY, vocalist, followed by speeches delivered by JOHN NEYEN O'DOHERTY, SEAN MCCARTHY, president of Aid to Ireland, and ELMOR MORRISSEY. These speeches each took approximately fifteen to twenty minutes and all followed the same pattern, namely, that of first declaring allegiance

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to America, then likening the present Irish struggle for freedom from England to the American struggle for freedom from England in 1765, after which they would launch into a tirade against the British government for its present policy of dividing the Irish Counties into Ulster and Eire, and would close with pledges to the heroic Irish dead never to give up the fight until Ireland's freedom is won.

References were frequently made throughout speeches to the articles appearing in the New York Times and Daily News on Easter Sunday morning which articles told the story of the seizure of a Belfast movie house by HUGH McATEER, Chief of Staff of the IRA in Ireland. Elsewhere in the report, under the heading of "IRA in Ireland" further information regarding McATEER'S activities will be found. Little reference was made to the warning given by McATEER to the United States to the effect that the maintenance of United States troops in North Ireland would eventually lead to these troops being used in assisting the British war of imperial aggression.

The speakers were careful to show no evidence of un-American attitudes and the only reference made to American policy was to state that America should have included Ireland's freedom in the forming of the Atlantic Charter, which is an oft-heard statement in the IRA circles.

The speeches were uniformly badly given and were utterly lacking in oratorical or dramatic effect.

BARTLEY PUGH appeared on the program three times, once at the beginning of the meeting when he read the proclamation of the Irish Republic which corresponds to the American Declaration of Independence, in the eyes of the IRA membership. During the reading of this proclamation the audience stood in homage to the old Irish martyrs whose names appeared on a white cross in the center of the stage. Later in the program, he read the oath of allegiance to the Irish Republic which is set out below:

~~X~~ OATH OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE IRISH REPUBLIC

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I do not and shall not yield a voluntary support to any pretended government, authority or power with Ireland inimical thereto; and I do further swear (or affirm) that to the best of my knowledge and ability I will support and defend the Irish Republic and the Government of the Irish Republic, which is Dail Eireann, against all enemies, foreign and domestic, that I will bear true allegiance to same, and that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; so help me, God."

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Again, after the speakers, he appeared and this time read a resolution which was adopted by the Clan na Gael-IRA. This resolution is set out below:

~~X~~ "RESOLUTIONS

"Adopted at the Twenty-seventh Annual Commemoration of the Martyrs of Easter Week, held at the Pythian Temple, New York City, Easter Sunday, April 25, 1943, auspices of the Clan Na Gael and Irish Republican Army Clubs.

- "Whereas, the Irish people is by right a free people, and
"Whereas, for seven hundred years the Irish people has never ceased to renudiate and has repeatedly protested in arms against foreign usurpation; and
"Whereas, British rule in Ireland is and always has been based upon force and fraud and maintained by military occupation against the declared will of the people; and
"Whereas, the Irish Republic was proclaimed in Dublin on Easter Monday, 1916 by the Irish Republican Army acting on behalf of the Irish people; and
"Whereas, at the threshold of a new era in history the Irish electorate had in the General Election of December, 1918, seized the first occasion to declare by an overwhelming majority its firm allegiance to the Irish Republic; and
"Whereas, at the first session of Dail Eireann, January, 1919, the elected representatives of the ancient Irish people, in the name of the Irish Nation, ratified the establishment of the Irish Republic; and
"Whereas, since the General Election of May, 1921, from which the Second Dail was formed, the people of Ireland, through the interference of British statecraft—the British gun under cover of the British bible—have been deprived of the exercise of the suffrages of all men and women necessary for the formation of the Third Dail Eireann as the National Government; and
"Whereas, the existence of two British-fostered governments in Ireland is inimical to and a negation of the guarantee of the Irish Republic to religious and civil liberty, equal rights and equal opportunities to all its citizens; and
"Whereas, the still established Republic of All Ireland is the custodian of the independence declared FOR ALL TIME on January 21, 1919, and is the only lawful Irish authority; now be it
"Resolved: That we, citizens of those United States, whose forebears sacrificed themselves at the birth and in the growth of this nation in its assertion of the inalienable right of mankind

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- "to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, do solemnly demand that the American interpretation of the Articles of the Atlantic Charter must be upheld for the honor and integrity of these United States in respect to Ireland by the recognition of the established government of the Irish Republic; and be it further
- "Resolved: That we regard it as obvious that there can be no proper settlement of the world's problems unless Ireland is included in this settlement and is treated as a free nation, and, accordingly, we demand the withdrawal of all British armed forces stationed in Ireland the the renunciation of all claim to interfere in Ireland's domestic policy or external affairs; and be it further
- "Resolved: That we offer to the Irish Republican Army our unstinted admiration of their courage and devotion, and we pledge our full moral and financial support and every assistance of which eager friendly people are capable, to the end that there shall be complete destruction of every link and tie, whether military, economic or political, by which it is sought to bind Ireland to the decadent British Empire; and be it further
- "Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Cabinet of the Irish Republican Government, to the Irish Republican Army Council, to the Secretary of State of the United States, to world-wide organizations devoted to the attainment of Ireland's freedom, and to the Press."

Following the reading of these resolutions there was again a short musical program and the meeting closed at 12:00 P.M.

The program furnished to those who attended this meeting was a six page leaflet which contained a list of the entertainers and speakers and, in addition, contained a brief two page history of the struggle of Ireland for freedom, a reproduction of the resolutions previously mentioned and a copy of the oath of allegiance to the Irish Republic. In addition to these items there were included throughout the program various patriotic Irish poems and essays. On the last page of the program there appeared a list of advertisers who had advertised in the IRA journal for its annual ball.

As an insert to the program there appeared a sheet of paper on one side of which was a reproduction of the proclamation of the Irish Republic, together with pictures of a number of the old Irish martyrs and on the reverse side there appeared a list of names under the heading of "Boosters".

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(C) (c) the story of the Clan na Gael-IRA. taking the money which had been raised by SEAN MCCARTHY'S Aid to Ireland group. estimated the present active membership as being about fifty, and information that the socials held on Saturday nights are constantly losing money.

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FORMER LEADING ORGANIZERS IN THE UNITED STATES

~~JOSEPH~~ McGRATH.

(b1) [REDACTED] (S)

SEAN RUSSELL

In a recent investigation conducted by the New York Field Division, the results of which were communicated to the Bureau in a letter dated May 4, 1953, efforts were made to ascertain the exact time and method used by RUSSELL in leaving the United States. The story was originally circulated to the effect that RUSSELL had left late in 1939 or early in 1940 aboard the SS Conte di Savoia.

(b7D) [REDACTED] Efforts to corroborate either story through records at Ellis Island met with negative results.

(b7D) The New York papers indicate that RUSSELL was last interviewed by the Press in August, 1939. [REDACTED]

Numerous stories were started regarding RUSSELL'S departure and subsequent death, some saying that he met a natural death at Lisbon, while on his way to Germany and others saying that he was in reality assassinated by British agents.

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CORNELIUS NEEMAN, alias Con Necnan

Investigation in the vicinity of 514 West 57th Street, New York City, reflected that there is no Nu-Ray Petroleum Company at this address. Inquiry at the Parano Oil Company reflected that the Nu-Ray Company had had quarters in that building from March to August, 1941 but that at that time it was discontinued.

On March 16, 1943 the New York Field Division was telephonically advised by the Philadelphia Field Division that the Nu-Ray Petroleum Company by whom NEEMAN was supposedly employed, is located at 157 Broadway, New York City. A subsequent physical inspection of the premises at 157 Broadway, New York City, failed to reflect that there is now or ever has been a Nu-Ray Petroleum Company located at this address.

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A check was made of the criminal docket, Southern District of New York, C-104-68 on April 20, 1963 at which time the docket reflected that the indictment against NEWMAN was still outstanding. Subsequently, Assistant United States Attorney Richard S. Burke, Southern District of New York, advised that NEWMAN had appeared at his office, pled not guilty to the charge contained in the indictment and was paroled to the custody of his attorney, CHARLES T. RICE. BURKE stated that the indictment against NEWMAN would be nolle prossed due to lack of evidence.

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(b1) [REDACTED]

(5) In the New York Times dated April 25, 1943 there appeared an article which revealed that HUGH McATEER, Chief of Staff of the IRA, who had a reward of \$12,000 posted for his apprehension, together with JAMES STEEL and several armed IRA men, seized control of a movie house in the nationalist area of Belfast on April 24, 1943 and there held a meeting commemorating the Easter rebellion of 1916. The article stated that both men read statements, then disappeared after which the audience stayed in a one minute silent tribute to "the men who died for Ireland". The seizure was apparently made with dramatic effect. In this article, McATEER was quoted as follows:

"We warn the Government of the United States that a resumption of hostilities between the Irish Republic and Great Britain almost inevitably would mean that American troops also would become involved and that America, champion of democracy and co-sponsor of the Atlantic Charter, would find herself engaged with Britain in waging a war of imperial aggression and conquest against the Irish people."

(b1) [REDACTED]

(5) McATEER'S exploit received wide publicity by press and radio and was the signal for much comment among British-hating Irishmen.

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The following names were checked with [REDACTED] who advised that his records do not reflect any correspondence to or from these individuals between Ireland and the United States.

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[REDACTED] JAMES BRISLINE and JAMES CONNLY.

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JAMES BRISLANE

A physical inspection of the premises at 1494 Lexington Avenue, New York City, reflects that this is a small tavern operated by BRISLANE.

(b1) [REDACTED] (C)
Physical inspection at 2360 Lohre Avenue, Bronx, New York, reflected that JAMES BRISLANE is listed as living in apartment 6C at this address. The occupants of the apartment house are mostly Irish. There are also some Italian families listed.

(b7C
b7D) [REDACTED]
The records of Local Board #98 at 3420 Westchester Avenue, Bronx, New York, reflected that BRISLANE was born on March 16, 1885 in Ireland. His description is set out as follows:

| | |
|----------------|------------|
| Race | White |
| Height | 5'5½" |
| Weight | 145 pounds |
| Eyes | Blue |
| Hair | Grey |
| Complexion | Light |
| Scars or marks | None |

(b7C) [REDACTED] was listed as the person who would always know his address. BRISLANE has received no classification due to his age.

(b7D) [REDACTED] A credit check was made at [REDACTED] with negative results.

The records of [REDACTED] were checked with regard to BRISLANE, with negative results.

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BOSTON

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SAN FRANCISCO

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NEW ORLEANS

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In compliance with the lead from New Orleans, which was set out in the report of [REDACTED] dated February 18, 1943 at New Orleans, an agent of the New York Field Division recontacted [REDACTED] but was unable to obtain any additional information in support of this informant's contention that [REDACTED] Investigation conducted by the New York Field Division has been reported in the case entitled: [REDACTED] New Orleans is the office of origin in this case.

IRISH NEWSP. PERS

The ~~X~~Gaelic American

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[REDACTED] This information is receiving consideration and pending investigation being conducted by the New York Field Division at this time. [REDACTED]

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~~THE~~ IRISH ADVOCATE

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~~THE~~ IRISH WORLD

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~~THE~~ IRISH SENTINEL

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b7D [REDACTED] (c)

THE IRISH ECHO

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In the Saturday, April 17, 1943 issue of the Irish Echo, there appeared an article advertising the Easter week Commemoration. The article gave the date and place of the Commemoration and listed the entertainers but didn't make any mention of who was sponsoring the Commemoration. In another portion of the same issue there appeared an advertisement for the Easter week Commemoration and in this advertisement it stated it was under the auspices of the Clax na Gael and I.R. clubs.

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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE IN THE I.R.

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HUGH BENTLEY

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[REDACTED] states that from his observations, he believes the Clan na Gael-IRA to be practically purged of all Communist members and that there doesn't appear to be any cooperation between the Clan and the Communist Party.

~~GERMAN INFLUENCE IN THE IRA.~~

[REDACTED] stated that he has observed no evidence of German subsidization in the IRA in New York.

OTHER IRISH ORGANIZATIONS

UNITED IRISH REPUBLICANS

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~~IRISH NATIONAL AID COMMITTEE~~

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AID TO IRELAND, INC.

(b)(1) [REDACTED] (C)

A letter appearing in the April 10, 1943 issue of the Advocate deplored the lack of lend-lease aid to Ireland and stated that a need for money and aid existed among the victims of the bombings in Belfast and among the victims of the epidemic in Connemara.

It also maintained that relief was needed among dependents of those who were imprisoned and held in Dublin but it didn't mention to which political faction these prisoners belonged. The letter stated that Aid to Ireland, Inc. hoped that more people would join their organization and help them in their good work of providing for the needy in Ireland. This letter was signed by the officers of the Aid to Ireland group who were as follows: SEAN MCCARTHY, president; ROBERT McGLINCH, vice president; LILY B. GUY, treasurer and ANNE GETTY, executive secretary.

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ORGANIZATIONS NOT AFFILIATED WITH NOR SYMPATHETIC TO THE IRA

AMERICAN FRIENDS OF IRISH NEUTRALITY

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ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS

b1 [REDACTED]

UNITED IRISH-AMERICAN SOCIETIES

[REDACTED]

AMERICAN-IRISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

[REDACTED]

An article appearing in the New York World Telegram on May 7, 1943 reflected that this organization was to hold its 46th annual banquet on May 8, 1943 at the Hotel Biltmore. The following quotation is direct from the article:

"Each year the society selects some American of Irish blood and honors him for his contribution to current history. It was organized in Boston by a group of Americans of Irish ancestry including Theodore Roosevelt, who dedicated the society to 'making better known the Irish chapter in American history'. This year the society is honoring Lt. Gen. Hugh A. Drum and is awarding him a gold medal for his leadership in 'organizing the defense of the Republic'."

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~~X~~ AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE RECOGNITION OF THE IRISH REPUBLIC

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~~X~~ UNITED IRISH COUNTIES

A recent election was held by the United Irish Counties Association and the results of the election were set out in the Irish Echo. This list included the names of the president of the individual County organizations represented in New York City. Instant list is being maintained in the files of the New York Field Division.

~~X~~ FRIENDS OF IRISH FREEDOM

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BOSTON FIELD DIVISION

At Roxbury, Massachusetts

*Will ascertain the activities of the IRA which is said to have its headquarters at the Hibernian Building on Dudley Street.

*Will review files for pertinent information concerning present activities and subversive tendencies of the IRA in the Boston district.

(b7c) *Will ascertain whether or not the individuals named in the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated December 19, 1942 at New York, New York, are active in this connection. In doing so, will bear in mind the fact that the IRA Veterans are reported to be a strong organization in Boston, which is confused regularly with the IRA.

CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION

At Chicago, Illinois

(b7d) (b7c) *Will recontact [redacted] as set out in the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated January 26, 1943 at Chicago, Illinois, and endeavor to obtain the names of other members who have been active in the IRA in the Chicago area and will obtain whatever additional information informant may have concerning the present activities of the IRA. Consideration should be given to developing the informant in the event he is in a position to re-establish his contacts with the IRA.

*Will review files and conduct appropriate investigation for the purpose of ascertaining the present activities and subversive tendencies, if any, of the IPA in the Chicago area. In this connection the Chicago Field Office should note information set out in instant report concerning the Irish American Alliance.

DETROIT FIELD DIVISION

At Detroit, Michigan

(b7c) *Will conduct a preliminary investigation in an effort to locate [redacted] If located, [redacted] should be interviewed for the purpose of ascertaining the whereabouts of [redacted] It should be noted that [redacted]

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NEWARK FIELD DIVISION

At Jersey City, New Jersey

(b7c) Will conduct appropriate investigation to determine the identity, reputation and loyalty of [REDACTED] who is said to be a member of the IRA and is known to have acted as [REDACTED]

(b1) Will investigate the background and activities of [REDACTED] in an effort to ascertain whether or not [REDACTED] is engaged in any activities inimical to the best interests of this country [REDACTED]

(b1) in the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated April 16, 1943 at New York, New York.

At Trenton, New Jersey

(b7c) Will conduct appropriate investigation to determine the identity, reputation and loyalty of [REDACTED] who is said to be a member of the IRA and is known to have acted as [REDACTED]

At Harrison, New Jersey

(b7c) Will conduct an appropriate investigation to determine the identity, loyalty and reputation of [REDACTED] who has been associated with IRA activities for a number of years. It should be noted that [REDACTED]

PHILADELPHIA FIELD DIVISION

At Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Will review the files for information concerning the IRA, its present activities and subversive tendencies in the Philadelphia area.

Will check the files pertaining to the Alien Registration Act of 1940 at the Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization, for pertinent information on [REDACTED]

(b1) (b7c) It should be noted that [REDACTED] is known to have registered in conformity with this act but that his registration number is not known.

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PITTSBURGH FIELD DIVISION

At Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

*Will review files and conduct appropriate investigation for the purpose of ascertaining the present activities and subversive tendencies of the IRA in Pittsburgh area.

(b1) [REDACTED]
SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION

At San Francisco, California

(b1) [REDACTED]
WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

At Washington, D.C.

*Will ascertain at [REDACTED]

and will also ascertain his duties as such and where he is located at the present time, if it is found that he is employed by them.

(b7c) *If it is ascertained that [REDACTED] is not presently employed his activities [REDACTED] should be investigated in the light of information furnished in the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated April 16, 1943 at New York City.

*Will check the indices and confidential files of the Washington Field Office for information concerning [REDACTED] He is reported to be a member of the IRA and to have acted as [REDACTED]

*Will also check the indices and confidential files for pertinent information concerning the IRA and its activities and subversive tendencies at the present time. In this connection it has been reported that representatives of the IRA have been in contact with the various Embassies in Washington, D.C.

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NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION

At New York, New York

Will continue indices check and perusal of informant's reports for information concerning individuals alleged to be active members of the IRA. In addition, will continue to develop background on individuals who have been reported in connection with this case to be dangerous to the internal security of the United States.

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Will review New York file 65-3644 which file relates to [REDACTED] It should be noted that the request for investigation of [REDACTED] was made by the Bureau in a letter to New York dated November 6, 1949.

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IDENTITY OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated May 19, 1943 at New York, New York, are as follows:

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[redacted] Office of Naval Intelligence, 50 Church Street, New York City.

[redacted] Office of Naval Intelligence, 50 Church Street, New York City.

[redacted] Office of Postal Censorship, 252 Seventh Avenue, New York City.

[redacted]

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United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

American Embassy
London, England

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUR

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: HUGH ~~McATEER~~,
I.R.A. ACTIVITIES,
INTERNAL SECURITY - G.

Reference is made to my letter dated April 26, 1943, Communication #688, with which I transmitted news items appearing in the London press concerning a public appearance made at a Belfast, Ireland theater on Saturday night, April 24, 1943, by Hugh McAteer, I.R.A. chief of staff and several of his followers.

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Very truly yours, 7666-217

G. M. Thurston 1943
Arthur M. Thurston
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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR CARRIER pouch

Mr. A. M. Thurston
Legal Attache
The American Embassy
London, England

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and C

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my previous communications to you concerning the Irish Republican Army.

For your additional information and assistance in connection with this case, I am enclosing two copies of resolutions adopted at the Twenty-Seventh Annual Commemoration of the Martyrs of Easter Week, held at the Pythian Temple, New York City, on Easter Sunday, April 25, 1943, under the auspices of the Clan na Gael and Irish Republican Army clubs.

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Very truly yours,

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Mr. A. E. Thornton
Legal Attache
The American Embassy
London, England

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COUNTER POUCH

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

Dear Sir:

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Advice is requested as to whether the
additional requested details are available and whether or not you
desire any additional action be taken by the Bureau in this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK, NEW YORK**

DETROIT FILE NO. **100-7758**

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- RUC - (b7C)

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated
May 19, 1943, at New York City.

DETAILS:

In accordance with the request in the reference
report, [REDACTED]

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John [unclear]
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IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

June 21, 1943

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(b7c) Relative to the meeting at which this resolution was adopted, it should be noted that this meeting was attended by an agent of the New York Field Division, and details of the meeting are reported on pages 15 through 20 of the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] which report has been previously mentioned in this letter.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy

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HOLOHAN was mentioned in a complaint received in the Detroit Field Division in March, 1942, as having spoken bitterly against the British Government and how it abused the Irish for many years (Detroit file 100-0-5621). In view of the fact that the reference report does not indicate the nature of the investigation desired of HOLOHAN, no further investigation is being made by the Detroit Field Division pending advice from the office of origin as to what type of inquiry is desired.

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DIRECTOR



Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

American Embassy
London, England
May 31, 1943

Communication #865

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: I.R.A. ACTIVITIES

For your general information, there are being transmitted herewith clippings from the London daily press of May 29, 1943 and May 30, 1943, concerning the capture of James Steele, one of the three I.R.A. men who escaped from a Belfast jail in January with Hugh McAteer.

Very truly yours,

A. M. Thurston
Arthur M. Thurston
Legal Attache

Enclosure



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I.R.A. MAN CAPTURED
James Steele, one of the three I.R.A. men who escaped from Belfast Jail in January with Hugh McAteer, Chief of Staff, was recaptured in a house in the city last night.

DAILY HERALD
London, England
May 29, 1943

I.R.A. chief is recaptured
James Steele, I.R.A. Commandant, who escaped from Belfast Jail on January 15 with Hugh McAteer, I.R.A. Chief of Staff, and two others, was recaptured early this morning in a Belfast house. Belfast police had offered a £3,000 reward for information leading to the recapture of one or more of the escaped men. Steele, with McAteer, made a dramatic appearance more than a month ago in a Belfast theatre, commandeered by the I.R.A. in commemoration of the Irish Rebellion.

DAILY EXPRESS
London, England
May 29, 1943

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I.R.A. Chief
JAMES STEELE, I.R.A. commandant-general, recaptured by Belfast police this week end following his escape from jail, appeared in Belfast police court yesterday. He was remanded in custody until June 15 on two charges connected with the possession of a revolver and ammunition.

SUNDAY CHRONICLE
London, England
May 30, 1943

'I.R.A. Chief' Faces Arms Charge
A STRONG force of police guarded Belfast Police Court yesterday when James Steele, described as Commandant-General of the I.R.A., recaptured on Friday night after four months' freedom following his jail-break in January, faced two charges in connection with the possession of a revolver and ammunition. Armed constables surrounded the dock, and while evidence of a arrest was being given, Steele, a small, slight man wearing a dark blue suit, stood with his arms folded. He was remanded in custody until June 15.

SUNDAY DISPATCH
London, England
May 30, 194

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Communication #903

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: U.R.A. ACTIVITIES,
Internal Security - G.

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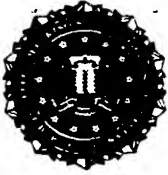
Very truly yours,

A. M. Thurston
Arthur M. Thurston
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J. EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

June 16, 1943

Call: 12:01 P.M.

Transcribed: 1:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. D. M. LADD

Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Coffey _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Carson _____
Mr. Harbo _____
Mr. Hendon _____
Mr. McGuire _____
Mr. Mumford _____
Mr. Piper _____
Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
Tele. Room _____
Mr. Nease _____
Miss Beahm _____
Miss Gandy _____

(b7c) At this time I received a call from [redacted] of the Special War Policies regarding the captioned matter. He stated he had received a memorandum from the Bureau about six weeks ago on which there was no date, no initials, no sources revealed, nor was the Bureau mentioned in any way.

He stated that since no sources are given and the memorandum simply reads "It is reported," etc., he has no idea how to evaluate the information contained therein. Therefore he feels it might be well to talk with someone in the Bureau who is familiar with the entire matter.

I told him I would check up to determine who prepared the instant memorandum, and then have the person who is most familiar with the facts arrange a conference.

Respectfully,

at 4:55 P. Mon 6/18/43, [redacted] Bureau
personant to [redacted] [redacted] (b7c)
of the [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] (b7c)
reference 3/9/43 transcribed [redacted] (b7c)
& memo [redacted] request received in [redacted]
the [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
above. [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
information received in [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
the future indicate [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
possibilities re the [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
possessed such [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
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June 21, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY X and G

Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to Bureau letter dated May 31, 1943, regarding the above captioned subject, in which there was enclosed a copy of the resolution which was adopted at the 27th Annual Commemoration of the Martyrs of Easter Week, which was held by the I. R. A.-CLAN na GAEL on April 25, 1943.

(b7c) This resolution was set out on pages 17 and 18 of the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated May 19, 1943, at New York City, entitled "IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY: INTERNAL SECURITY - IRISH."

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(b1) [REDACTED]

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The following information was obtained concerning SEAN HAYES:

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(b7c) [REDACTED] Immigration and Naturalization Service, Newark, New Jersey, furnished the following information concerning JOHN HAYES:

Petition for Naturalization #6524 was filed at Common Pleas Court, Monmouth County, Freehold, New Jersey on 2/8/43. He made first Declaration of Intention at Newark, New Jersey, #19913 on 6/24/26, and applied again for his Declaration of Intention on 9/15/39 at Newark, New Jersey. It is noted that on HAYES' Petition for Naturalization that Declaration of Intention #48293 dated 3/25/39, was also filed. The Petition for Naturalization reflects also that JOHN HAYES, Leonardo, Middletown Township, New Jersey, is a chauffeur, and was born in Glin County, Limerick, Ireland on 10/14/93, and was married on 2/9/27 at Newark to HONORA FLYNN. HONORA FLYNN HAYES was born 9/25/90 at Manorhamilton, Ireland, and entered the United States at Niagara Falls, New York on 2/21/26. The HAYES have the following children:

(b7c) [REDACTED] All of the children were born at Newark.

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Mr. A. M. Thornton
Legal Attache
The American Embassy
London, England

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR MAILING POWER

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - I and C

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter to you in the above-captioned matter dated May 31, 1943, enclosing copies of certain resolutions adopted at the Twenty-Seventh Annual Commemoration of the Martyrs of Easter Week, held at the Pythian Temple, New York City, on Easter Sunday, April 25, 1943, under the auspices of the Clan na Gael and Irish Republican Army clubs.

For your additional information and assistance in connection with this matter [REDACTED]

(b1) [REDACTED] am enclosing three copies of a letter from [REDACTED] setting out the authorship and circumstances surrounding the presentation of these resolutions.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Enclosure

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK, NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **100-850**

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| REPORT MADE AT PITTSBURGH, PA. | DATE WHEN MADE 7-1-43 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6-25, 27-43 | REPORT MADE BY (b7c) |
| TITLE IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY | | | CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - Irish |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No record in Pittsburgh of any organization functioning as a part of or party of the Irish Republican Army. **EMMETT CUSH**, age 75, has long been a Communist leader in Pittsburgh, and has been reported to have travelled to Russia on behalf of the Communist Party. CUSH presently serves as Chairman for the "Committee for Defense of Civil Rights" a Communistic front organization. No record of CUSH being active in any way with captioned organization.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] 19-43, New York, New York.

DETAILS:

AT PITTSBURGH, PA.

A check of the indices of the Pittsburgh Office relative to captioned organization, met with negative results.

It is noted in a letter from the Bureau to the New York Field Division dated April 24, 1943, which letter was captioned IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY, Internal Security I and G, that there was information relative to captioned subject which was secured from the Special War Policies Unit of the Department of Justice. In review of this report which was enclosed with the Bureau letter, it was stated that in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the "Wolfe Tone Club" is a branch of the Clan-na-Gael, and the members of this group in March, 1939, were **JOHN HAUGH**, **JOSEPH MC COOL**, **JOHN MC GROWN**, and **STEPHEN O'CONNOR**. Following these names, the report reflects the notation (#The Gaelic American, 3-39-39, pa. 7).

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The above names and club were checked against the indices of the Pittsburgh Office with negative results.

(b7c) In the report of Special Agent [redacted] Pittsburgh, Pa., 6-16-42, titled [redacted] it was stated that ARNOLD MAGRUDER was Secretary of the Pittsburgh Chapter of the America First Committee, and in September, 1941, he split with the America First Committee after he had been charged with using the Committee to spread anti-British, anti-Semitic, anti-Gold Standard, and Townsend Plan propaganda. This report further states that MAGRUDER formed a new group called Committee for America which only drew one hundred members from the supposed 15,000 members of the America First Committee. This group consisted of members of the alleged Congressmen.

MAGRUDER was Secretary of this new group which disbanded December 8, 1941.

(b7c) In report of Special Agent [redacted] Pittsburgh, Pa., 8-24-42, it was stated that EMMETT PATRICK CUSH was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is 75 years of age and has long been a Communist leader in Pittsburgh and has travelled to Russia on behalf of the Communist Party.

This report further states that CUSH acted as chairman of almost all Communist rallies during 1941 and 1942 in Pittsburgh and that he now acts as chairman for the Committee for Defense of Civil Rights, a Communist front whose headquarters are the same as those of the Communist Party.

This report also states that CUSH ran as a candidate on the Communist Party ticket for County Commissioner in 1931, for the governor of Pennsylvania in 1934, for mayor of Pittsburgh in 1937 and for Pittsburgh City Council in 1939.

This report further relates that CUSH is an admitted Communist, is registered as such on the Pittsburgh election rolls. CUSH resides at 701 Reedsdale Street, N.S., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

There is nothing in the Pittsburgh Files which reflects that CUSH is connected with captioned organization.

Pittsburgh File #100-550

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Pittsburgh File #100-390

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE PHILADELPHIA FIELD DIVISION

AT HARRISBURG, PA.

Will check the records at the Corporation Commissioners to note if there are or have been, since 1938, any organized group in the Pittsburgh District which may be related to the Irish Republican Army. Particular attention should be paid relative to the Wolfe Tone Club reported to be functioning in the Pittsburgh Area, 3-29-39.

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| REPORT MADE AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY | DATE WHEN MADE 6/25/43 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/1, 3, 4, 8, 12, 15, 18, 19, 24, 25, 27, 28, 31/43 | REPORT MADE BY (b7c) |
| TITLE IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY | | | CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - IRISH |

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

(b7D) [REDACTED]
Background information set out concerning SEAN HAYES, BERNARD McMAHON, and OWEN GOGAN. No evidence of subversive activities discovered. Additional information included concerning T. ST. JOHN GAFFNEY. Efforts to locate CHARLES O'SULLIVAN in Jersey City and vicinity, negative.

DEFERRED RECORDING

REFERENCE:

(b7c) Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated 12/19/42 at New York City.
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated 4/16/43 at New York City.
Report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated 4/13/43 at Newark.
Bureau letter to the Newark Field Division dated 4/19/43.
Bureau file 100-52527.

DETAILS:

(b7D) [REDACTED]

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*Letter 8/22/43 w/WH
cc - Dir of Records
8/26/43 w/WH
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EX

NY 100-7828

July 10, 1943

Director

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY

(b7C)

[REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy (b7C)
E. E. Conroy
Special Agent in Charge

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HAYES' last foreign residence was Toronto, Canada, and he entered the United States at Niagara Falls, New York on 10/10/25 on the Canadian National Railroad. HAYES made a visit in 1938 to Ireland, leaving 9/7/38 from New York City on the SS MANHATTAN, and returning 10/18/38 on the SS LACONIA. His mother's name is CATHERINE FLYNN, and his father's name is JOHN HAYES. HAYES is listed as a British subject, and has had the following residences in the United States: Newark, New Jersey, October, 1925 to November 1929; Harrison, New Jersey, November 1929 to July, 1941; Box 193, Leonardo, New Jersey, July, 1941 to present.

[REDACTED]

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It was ascertained at the Newark Public Library that the name SEAN is the Irish form of JOHN.

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The following description of JOHN (SEAN) HAYES was obtained from the Immigration records and from acquaintances:

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| Height | 5' 7½" |
| Weight | 160 lbs. |
| Eyes | gray |
| Distinguishing Features | straight nose |
| Scars and Marks | none |
| Glasses | wears glasses for reading. |
| Born | Ireland, 10/14/93 |
| Marital Status | married, has four children, as listed above |
| He is an alien, has British citizenship; entered the United States at Niagara Falls 10/10/25. | |
| Relatives | one brother living in United States, and two brothers and mother in Ireland. |
| Peculiarities | swaggers as he walks, smokes a pipe, has a definite brogue. |
| Occupation | truck driver, chauffeur. |

The following information was obtained concerning BERNARD ANDREW McMAHON:

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(b7D) [REDACTED]
(b7C) (b7D) [REDACTED]
(b7D) [REDACTED]
(b7C) (b7D) [REDACTED]
(b7C) (b7D) [REDACTED]
(b7C) (b7D) [REDACTED]

(b7C) [REDACTED] Local Board, #18, Hudson County, advised that BERNARD ANDREW McMAHON registered 4/27/02. He has serial U-127, and he was born in Ireland 10/31/83. He has social security #157-10-6419.

The following description was obtained from the Selective Service records:

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| Height | 5' 7" |
| Weight | 186 lbs. |
| Eyes | blue |
| Hair | gray |
| Complexion | ruddy |
| Glasses | wears eyeglasses. |
| Nationality | American |
| Naturalization Data | naturalized 12/27/15, Bronx, New York. |
| Marital Status | married, four children. |
| Occupation | carpenter. |

The following information was obtained concerning OWEN GROGAN. It is to be noted that the correct name is believed to be OWEN GROGAN.

(b7C) (b7D) [REDACTED]

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Reference Bureau letter's enclosure reflects that T. ST. JOHN CAFFNEY, 95 Morris Avenue, Summit, New Jersey, wrote a letter on 3/20/43 in which CAFFNEY states: "The prospect of being compelled to live in this country for another couple of years is simply appalling. . . I was in hopes that the Limerick Steamship Company, having bought ten or twelve ships, would be preparing to carry a few passengers if the war should suddenly end. Three of these ships are already on the bottom of the deep blue sea, so there is no hope of my sailing on this route. . . it looks now that Germany will lose the war, the result of which will be the loss to me of at least 3,000 pounds sterling".

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NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION

At New York, New York

(b7D) Will contact [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] for further information regarding the address and description of [REDACTED]

(b7C) Will conduct the appropriate investigation to determine the identity, reputation, and loyalty of [REDACTED]. It is to be noted that his wife resides at [REDACTED]

Will attempt to locate the other SEAN HAYES, who is alleged to reside in New York City, and who is believed to be the person who has been leading some of the Clan-na-Gael meetings in New York.

NEWARK FIELD DIVISION

At Leonardo, New Jersey

Will investigate the background, reputation, loyalty, and activities of SEAN HAYES.

At Trenton, New Jersey

(b7C) Will conduct appropriate investigation to determine the identity, reputation, and loyalty of [REDACTED]

At Newark, New Jersey

Will ascertain all information relative to officers, membership, and activities of KEVIN BARRY C.A.P.

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To:

Assistant Chief of Staff
G-2, War Department
Washington, D. C.

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Attention: Colonel L. R. Forney

From:

L. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject:

Irish Republican Army

(b7c)

As of possible interest to you I am enclosing a copy of the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated June 25, 1943, at Newark, New Jersey, in the case entitled "Irish Republican Army."

Enclosure

Tolson
E. A. Tamm
Clegg
Coffey
Glavin
Ladd
Nichols
Rosen
Tracy
Acers
Carson
Harbo
Hendon
Mumford
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Director of Naval Intelligence
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JULY 9, 1943

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

SAC, NEW YORK

Transmit the following message to:

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REPLY BY JULY TWELFTH NEXT.

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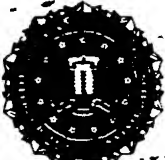
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and G

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Reference is made to my previous memoranda to you concern-
ing the allegations made by

and specifically to my blue memorandum to you dated June 5, 1943

Pursuant to your request

was searched by Supervisor W. K. Harvey
of the Internal Security Section, against the Bureau's personnel files. This
search revealed 87 in-service personnel files and 59 out-of-service personnel
files, a total of 146 personnel files, concerning present and former Bureau
employee

These 146 Bureau personnel files have been carefully reviewed and from
this review all of these present and former Bureau employees, with the exception
of three, have been eliminated.

in view of the fact that this file review
it is not believed, in view of the amount of work involved,
necessary or advisable to have the New York Office procure for comparison
purposes the pertinent Selective Service data concerning those individuals



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Concerning the 3 Bureau employees who could not be definitely eliminated through this file check.

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From a review of the personnel files it has been impossible to completely eliminate the following described Bureau employees:

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Memo. for Mr. Tamm

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ACTION:

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Upon the receipt of this identifying information it will be carefully compared with the personal data set out above concerning the three listed Bureau employees. You will of course be advised of the result of this check. In the event this further check eliminates the three above listed individuals on the basis of the information presently available to the Bureau, it is not believed that any further action herein is necessary or advisable.

Respectfully,


D. M. Ladd

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United States Department of Justice

New York, New York

July 10, 1943

(b7c) [REDACTED]
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Director, FBI

Dear Sir:

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DATE 2-29-81 BY SP8 BJS / aap

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RE: ⁰ IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY-(X and G)

Reference is made to Bureau letter of July 3, 1943 to the New York office in the above-captioned case.

Relative to a request for personal identification and background of [REDACTED] please be advised this information was reported on page three of New York letter dated May 17, 1943, in the above-entitled case, but due to a typographical error it was reported under the name of [REDACTED]. Reiteration of this information is as follows:

(b7c) [REDACTED]
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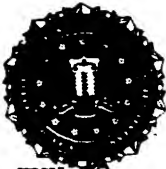
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MEMORANDUM FOR

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - A and G

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(b1) The New York Office has now furnished appropriate background and personal identification information concerning J. Hayes and John Lyons. This information has been compared with the personal data available concerning Bureau Agents mentioned in my reference memorandum.

(b1) (b7C) With the elimination of the above three mentioned Special Agents the review of the Bureau files to determine whether any present or former Bureau employees are members of the Irish Republican Army is complete.

(b1) As you will recall this review revealed eighty-seven in-service personnel files and fifty-nine out-of-service personnel files, a total of one hundred and forty-six personnel files concerning present and former Bureau employees.

(b1) From this review of the Bureau personnel files it has been determined that there is no probability that any of the one hundred and forty-six former and present Bureau employees are identical.

ACTION: No further action is believed necessary.



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CC: Mr. Glavin

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Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and G

Reference is made to my previous memoranda to you in the above-captioned matter, and particularly to my memorandum concerning Sean Russell, who, as you will recall, was at one time Chief of Staff of the Irish Republican Army and disappeared from sight in New York City in the spring of 1940.

As you will also remember the information available to the Bureau indicates that when Sean Russell was apprehended in 1939 at Detroit, Michigan, by Immigration and Naturalization authorities, he was released on \$5,000. bail [REDACTED]

(b7c)

For your information, your attention is called to the following quoted statement appearing in the last paragraph of the column entitled "9:00 to 4:30", written by John F. Cramer and appearing in the July 9, 1943, issue of the Washington Daily News:

"McGranery for Rowe?

"Rumor mentions Rep. James McGranery (D., Pa.) as a likely candidate to succeed James Rowe as assistant to the Attorney General when Mr. Rowe goes to the Navy."

ACTION: No further action is being taken in this matter but it is felt that the above information should be made a matter of record.

Respectfully,

(b7c)

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| TITLE IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY | | | CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - IRISH |
| <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <div style="background-color: black; width: 100%; height: 40px; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> <p>(b7c) Search of [redacted] records fails to reflect that [redacted] is employed by [redacted] but he is still residing at [redacted]. Search of files reflects that all information in possession of Washington Field Division pertaining to [redacted] previously furnished New York Office; files and indices fail to reflect that any members of IRA contacted representatives of Axis Governments previously stationed in U. S.</p> | | | |
| <p>ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE <u>12-29-81</u> BY <u>SP8 BTJ/098</u></p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated at New York City December 29, 1942. Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated at New York City April 16, 1943. Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated at New York City May 19, 1943. Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 15, 1943.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">- P -</p> | | | |
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DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

A review of the files and indices in the Washington Field Division reflected that all the information in the possession of this office pertaining to [REDACTED] has previously been furnished the New York Office in connection with the case entitled, [REDACTED] and in that connection reference is made to Bureau letter to New York under date of April 11, 1940 entitled [REDACTED]

(b7c)
A check was made at [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] of that office, who advised the writer that their records failed to reflect that [REDACTED] was employed in that bureau. [REDACTED] also telephonically contacted the Central Records Section at [REDACTED] and learned that [REDACTED] records failed to reflect that [REDACTED] is employed as [REDACTED]. A further check reflected that [REDACTED] not listed [REDACTED]

The writer contacted [REDACTED] Columbia Heights Post Office Sub-station, [REDACTED] advised the writer that [REDACTED] is residing at [REDACTED]

The Washington Field Office files indicate that by letter dated February 6, 1941 the Bureau was advised by the Washington Field Division that [REDACTED]

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The files of the Washington Field Division reflected that [REDACTED]

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THE WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

(b7c) Will conduct further investigation concerning [REDACTED]
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ington, D.C.

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To: Assistant Chief of Staff
U.S. War Department
Washington, D. C.

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ON 12-29-87

Attention: Colonel L. B. Forney

From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: Irish Republican Army

For your information and assistance I am enclosing one copy each of the following reports:

Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated June 3, 1943, at Detroit, Michigan, entitled "Irish Republican Army."

Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated July 1, 1943, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, entitled "Irish Republican Army."

Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated August 9, 1943, at Washington, D. C., entitled "Irish Republican Army."

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Director of Naval Intelligence
U.S. Navy Department
Washington, D. C.

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United States Department of Justice

American Embassy
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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Communication #1244

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY, a.k.a.
OGLAIGH NA h-EIREANN.

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Very truly yours,

Arthur M. Thurston

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Assistant Chief of Staff
G-2, War Department
Washington, D. C.

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Attention: Colonel L. R. Forney

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to previous communications to you
concerning the Irish Republican Army (O'Leigh Ma h-Eireann).

(b1)

[REDACTED]

The information contained in the enclosed strictly
confidential memorandum was received by this Bureau from a

(b7D)

[REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Brigadier General William J. Donovan
Director
Office of Strategic Services
25th and E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Bill:

Reference is made to previous communications to
you concerning the Irish Republican Army (Oglaigh na
h-Eireann).

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The information contained in the enclosed strictly
confidential memorandum was received by this Bureau from a

(b7D) [REDACTED]

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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~~BY SPECIAL MESSAGE~~

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Honorable Adolf A. Berle, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Berle:

Reference is made to previous communications to you
concerning the Irish Republican Army (Oglagh Na h-Eireann).

(b1)

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The information contained in the enclosed strictly
confidential memorandum was received by this Bureau from a

(b7D)

[REDACTED]

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Director of Naval Intelligence
Navy Department
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to previous communications to you
concerning the Irish Republican Army (Ceilish na h-Eireann).

(b1) [REDACTED]

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confidential memorandum was received by this Bureau from a

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Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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New York

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
(O'DONOGHUE SA & KIRKMAN)
INTERNAL SECURITY - C and X

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Dear Sirs:

For your further information and assistance in connection
with the above-captioned case, I am enclosing two photostatic copies
of a memorandum concerning the Irish Republican Army.

(b1) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____ **MAIL ROOM**
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American Embassy
London, England
August 10, 1943

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Communication #1223

VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: I.R.A. SURVEY (Three months
ended May 31, 1943)

(b1) [REDACTED]
(b1) [REDACTED]

Very truly yours,

Arthur M. Thurston

Arthur M. Thurston
Legal Attaché

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VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: ~~HUGH McATEER~~
I.R.A. ACTIVITIES
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Very truly yours, 61-7606-23

Arthur M. Thurston

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VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Communication #1198

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

(b1) RE: [REDACTED] (S)
INTERNAL SECURITY.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

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Very truly yours,

Arthur M. Thurston

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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - R & S

Dear Sir:

For your further information and assistance in connection with
the present investigation of the Irish Republican Army, and for appropriate
attention, [REDACTED] (S)

[REDACTED]

(b1) [REDACTED] (S)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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cc
Mr. Tamm
Mr. E.A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Nichols
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Mr. Egan
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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR CARRIER ROUTE

Mr. Arthur M. Hurston
Legal Attache
The American Embassy
London, England

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - I & S

Dear Sir:

(b1) Reference is made to your letter to the Bureau dated August 6, 1943, captioned [REDACTED]

(S) Internal Security."

(b1) The information incorporated in your reference letter is being furnished to the New York Field Division for its information and use in connection with the pending investigation of the Irish Republican Army, and it is not believed necessary at this time to conduct any separate investigation [REDACTED]

(b1) Any further information available to you concerning the activities and contacts of individuals in this country connected with the Irish Republican Army will, of course, be appreciated, and if you desire any additional information concerning the subject matter [REDACTED]

(b1) I will be glad to furnish you with such information as can be developed upon specific request therefor.

Very truly yours,

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United States Department of Justice
New York 7, New York

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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - IRISH

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted]
dated June 25, 1943 at Newark in the above captioned case (Newark file 100-4020).

(b1) [redacted]

(b1) [redacted]

In view of the above information no further investigation of [redacted] is being requested until such time as more definite information shall come to the attention of the New York Field Division.

It is quite possible that a similar situation will be encountered in the investigation of [redacted] and it is therefore suggested that if a preliminary investigation fails to identify [redacted] that the investigation be discontinued by the Newark Field Division at that point.



cc - Newark

Very truly yours,

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VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY -X and G.

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Re: I.R.A.

June 19, 1943

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Very truly yours,

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Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and R

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- Mr. E. A.
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- Mr. Quinn Tamm
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- Miss Gandy

Additional investigation is presently being conducted in an effort to determine Russell's movements after he allegedly left the United States, and you will be furnished with any pertinent information which is developed pursuant to this inquiry.

For your information, according to [REDACTED]

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John Edgar Hoover
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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X

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Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Dear Sir:

For your information in connection with the above-captioned investigation, I am enclosing copies of a memorandum dated September 22, 1943, received by the Bureau from the War Division of the Department of Justice, together with copies of the enclosures thereto.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

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Very truly yours,

A. M. Thurston
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to previous communications to you regarding the
above-captioned case and particularly to my recent letter to you

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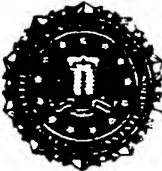
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Washington, D. C.

July 24, 1943

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD.

**RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and G**

The Bureau has received from the State Department a request dated May 6, 1943, that certain information previously furnished the Department concerning the Irish Republican Army be verified. This communication bears State Department reference FC 841D.00/1375 and states that the Department is particularly interested in the verification of information to the effect that the Irish Minister in Washington, D. C. is connected with the organization known as the Clan na Gael - Irish Republican Army Veterans, Inc. It is noted that this organization has no present connection with the Irish Republican Army or with the radical Irish revolutionary movement.

It is requested that the Liaison Section procure from the State Department any information available concerning the Irish Minister, (together with specific advice as to what particular information the State Department desires be developed in the Bureau's investigation.)

Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR

Re: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X and G

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Reference is made to the letter from the State Department dated May 6, 1943, requesting investigation of the Irish Minister in Washington with the organization in the United States known as Calan na Gael - Irish Republican Army Veterans, Incorporated. Reference is also made to the memorandum of Mr. Welch to Mr. Ladd dated July 24, 1943, in the above-captioned matter.

From the State Department file on Robert Brennan, Irish Minister to Washington, the following information was obtained: In a letter from David Gray, United States Legation in Dublin, dated June 26, 1942, it was reported by Gray that he entertained Brennan on June 25, 1942. This entertainment undoubtedly occurred during a recent return to Ireland by Brennan.

Gray reported that Brennan commented on the improvement of conditions in America and stated that "American feeling toward Ireland had much improved in the last few months". Brennan stated during the evening that he had been cordially received by President Roosevelt and was given a friendly reception by Secretary of State Wells.

Gray further stated that Brennan reported "Anti-Irish feeling that was provoked by Aiken's visit had entirely passed away". It was also stated by Brennan, "Before Pearl Harbor a great majority of the American-Irish supported Irish neutrality, but after Pearl Harbor a majority changed their views and believed that Ireland should enter the war." Brennan was also said to say, "After about two months this attitude began to wane and at present most of them were supporting the Irish position again." Brennan was said to say that there was no enthusiasm for the war in the United States but there was a determination to win it.

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Memorandum for Mr. Burton

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1, From the biographical sketch of Brennan it was determined that he was born in County Wexford, Ireland, July 22, 1881, and was educated at Christian Brother Schools in Wexford. He was a surveyor in the County of Wexford in 1909 and later from 1909 to 1916 was a journalist. He participated in the uprising of 1916 and from 1918 to 1920 was Director of Publicity and Director of Elections of Sinn Fien. From 1920 to 1922 he was Secretary of the Department of External Affairs and from 1931 to 1934 helped organize and was made business manager of the newspaper the Irish Press. In 1934 he was appointed First Secretary of the Irish Free State Legation in Washington, later being appointed Minister. R

He is the author of several plays and books and among the best known plays are "Bystander" and "Good Night Mr. O'Donnell".

Brennan is married and has four children.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this information be forwarded to Supervisor Harvey.

Respectfully,


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December 17, 1943

SAC, New York

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
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Dear Sir:

Set out below for your information and assistance is certain information furnished by the Department of State concerning Robert Brennan, Irish Minister to the United States:

"From the State Department file on Robert Brennan, Irish Minister to Washington, the following information was obtained: In a letter from David Gray, United States Legation in Dublin, dated June 26, 1942, it was reported by Gray that he entertained Brennan on June 25, 1942. This entertainment undoubtedly occurred during a recent return to Ireland by Brennan.

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"First Secretary of the Irish Free State Legation in Washington, later being appointed Minister."

"He is the author of several plays and books and among the best known plays are 'Hystander' and 'Good Night' by J. M. Synge."

As you will recall Robert Brennan reportedly is the head of the Clan na Gael, Irish Republican Army Veterans, Incorporated. In connection with the activity of Brennan in this organization the Department of State, although aware that this group is not identical with the Irish Republican Army, desires additional information.

Consequently you are directed to conduct an extremely discreet investigation in connection with Brennan's activity in this organization. This investigation should be conducted, at least until additional instructions are received from the Bureau, through the various available established informants in the above case. After these informants are contacted it is desired that the Bureau be furnished by letter captioned as above a summary of the information procured and already available concerning Brennan and the activities of the Irish Republican Army Veterans, Incorporated.

It is my desire that this matter be given expeditious attention and that the Bureau be advised in the premises as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

K. McAtteer

**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**

American Embassy
London, England
September 6, 1943

Communication ~~X~~ #1408

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VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR COURIER POUCH

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: HUGH ~~X~~ McATEER
I.R.A. ACTIVITIES
INTERNAL SECURITY - G.

Reference is made to my letters dated April 26, May 3, and August 10, 1943, Communications #688, #689, #722 and #1228 concerning Hugh McAtteer, Chief of Staff of the I.R.A.

For your information, there is attached hereto a clipping from the "Sunday Pictorial", London, England, of September 4, 1943, entitled "ARMED POLICE HUNT I.R.A. CHIEF". It will be noted from this clipping that the police are intensifying their hunt for Hugh McAtteer.

Very truly yours,

G. M. Thurston
Arthur M. Thurston
Legal Attaché

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ARMED POLICE HUNT I.R.A. CHIEF

ARMED police are intensifying their hunt for gangster Hugh McAteer, so-called I.R.A. Chief of Staff, responsible for a campaign calling upon Irish Nationalists to sabotage Ulster's war effort.

Large forces of police swept on suspected I.R.A. hide-outs in the Nationalist area of Belfast yesterday. In one district they made a big haul of arms and ammunition.

This included one Thompson sub-machine-gun, six rifles, six revolvers, 2,500 rounds of ammunition, twenty hand grenades, bomb springs and strikers, explosives, fog pistols, bayonets, and tools for repairing firearms.

McAteer, who escaped from Belfast Gaol on January 15 and was still at large late last night, is the man behind the traitorous *Republican News*.

Recently several printing presses have been seized.

But the "News," which devotes most of its space to McAteer's campaign for sabotage, continues to come out as a stencilled sheet.

Fire Raising

The August issue, found in a dockyard, has been sent to the *Sunday Pictorial* by a reader, who says the paper "almost makes him ashamed of being Irish."

It explains the best way to commit sabotage by causing fires.

McAteer contrives to support his anonymous campaign for sabotage by keeping his name well before the public.

He impudently advertised that he was still at large by inserting in the *Nationalist Irish News* an "in memoriam

"Williams.—In proud and undying memory of my gallant comrade who gave his life for Ireland, September 2, 1942.—Hugh McAteer."

This man was Tom Williams, I.R.A. man executed for murder a year ago, for whom a Mass was said in the R.C. Church of St. Mary on Thursday.

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Date: September 16, 1943

To: SAC, New York

From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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For your consideration and assistance in connection with the above-captioned matters, I am enclosing herewith photostatic copies of censorship intercepts received by the Bureau from the Office of Censorship.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Liaison Section

Dear Sir:

RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - X & G.

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Your attention is invited to my letter of July 15, 1943.
Communication #1060.

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Very truly yours,

Arthur M. Thurston

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October 23, 1943

Mr. A. E. Thornton
Legal Attache
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INTERNAL SECURITY - I and C

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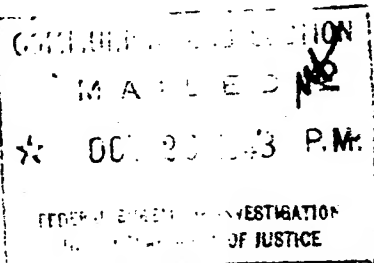
Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter to the Bureau in the above-captioned case, dated September 13, 1943, concerning the information contained in your letter dated July 15, 1943, in the above-captioned case, Communication #1060.

Inquiries concerning the subject matter of your communications are still being conducted and the results thereof will be furnished to you as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director



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RE: IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY
INTERNAL SECURITY - R and C

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my letter to you in the above-captioned
case, dated September 10, 1943, setting out certain information re-
ceived by the Bureau from its confidential representative in London,
England, [REDACTED] (S)

It is desired that the inquiry directed by my reference
letter be expedited and that the results thereof be made available
to the Bureau as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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